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GREENVILLE, 1893.

ALABAMA

BAPTIST

STATE

CONVENTION.

OFFICERS AND BOARDS.

President—W. C. Cleveland, Columbia.

First Vice-President—R. C. Jones, University.

Second Vice-President—W. C. Ward, Birmingham.

Secretary—Wm. A. Davis, Anniston.

Statistical Secretary—M. M. Wood, Pratt City.

Treasurer—Eugene F. Enslen, Birmingham.

Auditor—J. M. Davidson, Birmingham.

Directors—President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, *ex officio*, W. P. Welch, H. S. D. Mallory, Law Lamar, S. W. Averett, A. J. Dickinson, J. L. Lawless, T. M. Johnson, R. R. Kornegay, R. H. Lanford.

State Board of Missions—Term expiring 1894: Jonathan Haralson, W. B. Davidson, S. A. Adams, M. F. Brooks, N. C. Underwood, J. P. Wood, D. P. Bestor; 1895: G. W. Ellis, Theodore Welch, A. J. Dickinson, W. M. Burr, J. A. French, T. L. Jones, L. O. Dawson; 1896: Geo. B. Eager, W. M. Harris, H. S. D. Mallory, W. G. Curry, P. T. Hale, B. J. Skinner, W. E. Hudmon.

Central Committee on Woman's Work—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, President; Mrs. Geo. B. Eager, Vice-President; Mrs. I. C. Brown, Secretary; Mrs. G. M. Morrow, Treasurer.

Trustees of Howard College—Term expiring 1895: T. G. Bush, J. H. Eubanks, W. T. Smith, F. M. Wood, W. H. Wood, S. W. Welch, R. W. Beck, M. B. Neece; 1897: J. A. Glenn, W. C. Ward, J. Shackelford, G. R. Farnham, J. M. McKleroy, Eugene F. Enslen, E. H. Cabaniss, S. P. Fowlkes; 1899: J. M. Arnold, W. C. Cleveland, J. R. Tyson, J. P. Shaffer, J. C. Bush, J. P. Hubbard, P. T. Hale, C. C. Jones.

Trustees of Judson Female Institute—Term expiring 1895: L. L. Lee, J. H. Marbury; 1897: J. C. Bush, J. P. Shaffer; 1899: H. A. Haralson, B. F. Ellis; 1901: T. T. Daughdrill, W. B. Crumpton; 1903: C. C. Huckabee, W. P. Welch; 1905: W. T. Smith, George B. Eager; 1907: J. B. Lovelace, C. A. Wilkerson.

Trustees of the Orphanage—Term expiring 1896: G. R. Farnham, Chairman Executive Committee; Geo. B. Eager, P. T. Hale, G. S. Anderson, J. W. Stewart, W. B. Crumpton, Z. D. Roby, J. C. Bush, Law Lamar, J. H. Curry, S. C. Clopton.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT CONVENTION OF 1894.

Education—G. R. Farnham, J. H. Curry, J. G. Bow, A. E. Burns, W. M. Blackwelder, Geo. E. Brewer.

Foreign Missions—W. C. Bledsoe, H. H. Shell, J. H. Creighton, J. W. Dickinson, Geo. T. Lee, R. M. Hunter, W. J. Elliott.

Historical Society—A. W. McGaha, T. T. Daughdrill, S. C. Clopton.

Home Missions—P. T. Hale, J. M. Thomas, W. E. Lloyd, G. A. Joiner, J. A. Glenn, I. A. White.

Orphanage—J. J. Taylor, A. J. Dickinson, J. L. Lawless, W. M. Harris.

Program—J. L. Lawless, S. W. Averett, W. B. Crumpton, A. J. Dickinson, I. A. White.

Sunday Schools—J. P. Shaffer, W. S. Brown, M. M. Wood, W. A. Parker, L. M. Bradley, R. E. Pettus, W. H. Smith.

Temperance—W. M. Burr, Geo. W. Townsend, A. S. Smith, Robert H. Harris.

Woman's Work—L. O. Dawson, J. A. French, B. J. Skinner, J. B. Powell.

Introductory Sermon—P. T. Hale; alternate, W. H. Smith.

NEXT SESSION—At Marion, Wednesday, July 4, 1894.



W. W. WILKERSON, M. D.

A Life Member of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. A Trustee of Howard College for many years, a greater part of the time being President of the Board. A Trustee of Judson Institute for many years. One of the Founders of the Alabama Baptist. Born in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, August 15, 1833; died at Marion, March 7, 1893.



ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION,

SEVENTY-SECOND SESSION—1893.

The ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION assembled for its seventy-second session with the Greenville Baptist church, at Greenville, Alabama, at 10 o'clock A. M., on Tuesday, November 7, 1893, and was called to order by W. C. Cleveland, President, with Wm. A. Davis, acting Secretary.

2. Devotional Exercises were conducted by W. C. Cleveland.

3. Delegates were enrolled as names appear at end of these proceedings, the roll including all names filed during the session.

4. Officers were chosen, as follows :

President—W. C. Cleveland.

First Vice-President—R. C. Jones.

Second Vice-President—W. C. Ward.

Secretary—Wm. A. Davis.

5. The Convention was welcomed to Greenville in an address by John Gamble, and response thereto was made on behalf of the Convention by A. J. Dickinson.

6. Visitors were received, as follows, (included all who reported during the session) :

American Baptist Publication Society—Harvey Hatcher.

Florida Convention—A. P. Pugh.

Foreign Mission Board—R. J. Willingham, Secretary.

Georgetown College—M. M. Riley.

Georgia Convention—W. R. Briscoe, J. H. Hall.

Home Mission Board—I. T. Tichenor, Secretary ;

F. C. McConnell, Assistant Secretary.

Religious Herald—E. H. Ferguson.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—J. R. Sampey.

Sunday School Board—T. P. Bell, Secretary.

Western Recorder—W. P. Harvey, Business Manager.

7. Rev. W. M. Cox, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, and Rev. G. R. Upton, pastor of the Protestant Episcopal church, of Greenville, were invited to seats.

8. The Program, as heretofore published in the *Alabama Baptist*, was adopted, with the substitution of a speaker and the omission of items 17 and 22.

9. The report of the State Board of Missions was read by Geo. B. Eager, its president. After discussion as to its reference by A. J. Dickinson, J. J. Taylor, J. A. French, Z. D. Roby, Geo. B. Eager, Thomas Henderson, B. D. Gray, J. L. Lawless and B. H. Crumpton, the report was referred to a committee consisting of B. D. Gray, Z. D. Roby, J. L. Lawless, Geo. B. Eager, A. J. Dickinson and J. A. French, and was revised and returned in the following form :

REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

One year ago this Convention, after a full and free discussion of the questions involved, decided by a unanimous rising vote to consolidate the State Mission and Bible and Colportage Boards to form what has since been known as the State Board of Missions, located at Montgomery ; and to leave all questions as to methods of operation entirely to the new Board, "without restrictions from past instructions or precedent."

The Board accepted the trust, met at once, elected its officers, and with a grave sense of responsibility, entered upon its duties.●

Our first year's work is done and the record has gone up on high. To-day we are called on to give an account of our stewardship.

As to the details and financial showing of the work I refer you to the appended reports of the Secretaries and tabular statement.

I now call special attention to certain facts which demand your consideration.

1. The new board entered upon its work in a new place, indeed, and with a new name and largely a new membership, but with a legacy of debt, difficulty and entailed disaffection.

2. It elected unanimously the Corresponding Secretary of the old board as one whose fidelity and fitness had been tried in a thousand ways and proved by years of service, and whose past experience, knowledge of the field and heroic devotion to the work, pointed him out as the man for this responsible office under the new board.

3. It continued Secretary Collier in charge of the book department, but found itself unable from sheer poverty to transfer it from Opelika to

Montgomery as was contemplated, and to do other things which seemed to be demanded by the needs of the field.

4. It encountered at the outset a season of unparalleled depression, widespread panic and almost utter paralysis of business, affecting city and country alike, precipitating a struggle for life with all our denominational enterprises, and cutting down, or cutting off, contributions from scores of churches and thousands of individuals accustomed to give something to Missions.

5. It found not a few of those who ought to have been friends, and who, by their silence if not their votes, had agreed to leave all questions of policy and method entirely to the new board, carrying on an open campaign of criticism, sowing disaffection and encouraging non-support.

These facts are too well known to require more than a passing allusion, but they must be duly considered if we would rightly estimate the first year's work of the State Board of Missions now brought under view.

Despite these grave embarrassments, however, we have trusted in God and gone forward. Nearly half a hundred men have given themselves to the work "in labors abundant," in whole or in part supported by this board. Hundreds have been saved and added to the churches through their faithful labors as the Secretary's report will show, thus demonstrating afresh that "the Word of God is not bound," and that "man's extremity is God's opportunity." In many fields there have been "showers of blessings." "The wilderness and the solitary place" have been glad for them, and desert places have been made to "rejoice and blossom as the rose."

It is worth while to recall another fact again and again—that State Mission work in Alabama is yet in its youth. It had its birth long after the war. The old board was not organized until 1875, and it is since that date that all our present system of agencies has grown up.

Nothing had been done towards the development of our denominational benevolence. Associational missions even were a rarity. Occasional, spasmodic giving, when an agent of the Domestic or Foreign Mission Board happened to come along, was the rule even with our best city churches and largest association. But general and systematic giving was unknown and unattempted. Few even of the most intelligent associations ever thought of having any committees to report on missions, education or temperance. Converts were not looked for except at the annual religious inundation known as "the big meeting," and when received into the church were rarely objects of further concern, and were strangers to all training in church duty or benevolence.

Now, if we contrast the present with that period of our denominational life, we may get some idea of what God has wrought through this agency.

In 1882 Alabama's contributions to Home Missions aggregated \$926.96, and to Foreign Missions \$1,933.54. Last year in times that tried men's souls, and reduced many to deep poverty, we gave to Home Missions \$6,537.85, and to Foreign Missions \$7,661.22, in addition to \$7,617.73 for State Missions, or an aggregate of \$21,816.80. This includes only about \$600 of Centennial funds. Our average annual contribution to State Missions for the last ten years has been about \$7,600, but there has been a steady increase in contributions to Home and Foreign Missions which has been chiefly due, beyond question, to the unselfish policy of the State Mission Board in disseminating information, stirring up the pastors and fostering the spirit of missions in the churches. It has been the invariable policy of the board, before making an appropriation, to require a promise from the church to take regular collections for missions, both in church and Sunday School, and to cultivate in their members the grace of giving. For such increase of liberality, especially in the poverty-stricken country churches, we should be devoutly grateful. Our annual gifts now represent contributions, many of them sadly meagre, it is true, from fifty out of the seventy associations in the State.

During the past decade the average number of men employed annually by the board has been fifty-eight, including missionary pastors and colporters. Who shall estimate in figures, or in dollars and cents, the good they have done? Who recount the unreported work done by this little army of faithful, industrious, God-serving men, as we know most of them to have been?

Of course we may well deplore that we have not accomplished more, that so many churches and associations remain unenlisted and unreached, that such appalling destitution prevails yet in some regions of our beloved State, and that so many even of our strongest churches remain unawakened to the real state of the case, and seem smitten with lethargy or indifference; but this should not tempt us to depreciate or minify the results actually achieved.

Such wide-reaching spiritual and educational results as we are aiming at are not to be achieved in a day. Anti-Missionism, like Romanism, is a subtle and stubborn foe, and for the same reason—that it is deeply rooted in the ignorance and superstition of the unregenerate nature. Nor are such results ever wrought by mere changes of policy or method.

As to the new board, let it be understood that it has attempted nothing revolutionary. It has accepted as a law of its life that "that which has been" is largely "that which is to be," but "more abundantly." It has hoped for its best fruitage as the result of a true but modified continuity of life and method. That it has not been utterly disappointed in

this hope will be seen from the following excerpts and figures from the reports of the secretaries.

GEO. B. EAGER, President.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

TO REV. GEORGE B. EAGER, D. D.

President of the State Board of Missions:

When I consider the very hard year through which the country has passed, I feel that we have no reason to be greatly discouraged. The debt of the Board Oct. 31st, 1893, was \$868.52. The work of the missionaries has been as efficiently done as ever, but under greater discouragements than in any year of the Board's history. Nevertheless, God has been pouring out of His Spirit, and a general revival influence has been pervading the State. Our fields of missionary labor have shared in the general blessing and report quite a number of accessions to the churches.

THE WORK CLASSIFIED AND ILLUSTRATED.

Our work, as now prosecuted, can be classed under the following heads: work in centres of influence, extending to the surrounding country; evangelistic work in the country; work among the colored ministers, nearly all of them in the country; and the secretary's work, in the office and in the field, both in towns and country.

WORK OF THE FIRST CLASS.

To illustrate—Brother Burns at Tuscumbia and Sheffield is doing work of the first-class. He preaches every Sunday at these two points, but spends much of his time also preaching in the country around. Brother Brown at Florence preaches every Sunday to his church, but he has given nearly half of his time to a country region where the greatest destitution prevails. What better missionary work can be done than this? At Abbeville, Geneva, Elba, and Andalusia, the county seats of adjoining counties, I found churches without pastors—some of them for at least twelve months. By an arrangement which I effected with them, they were induced to call pastors for a part of their time, and the Board became responsible to these pastors for a part of their salaries for the balance of their time until churches should call them. In this way they were all supplied with good pastors, and the regions around, which heretofore, because of ignorance and prejudice, have been antagonistic to the convention and its work, were enlightened in regard to all our

enterprises and conciliated. At some of these points this was accomplished with a very small outlay of the Board's money.

At Russellville, Franklin Co., the same thing has been done, with better success, probably, than at any other place. Brother Bradley was called for one-half of his time at Brundidge, and the Board became responsible for half of his salary for the remainder of his time; he was sent to Perote and to Ashford for one Sunday at each place, the former, an old town where the church was very weak, the latter, a new town on the Midland Railroad. At Perote the church was revived, a number baptized, among them some who are financially able to help the church very much; and at Ashford he organized a church, erected a handsome house of worship and baptized quite a number, total at the two points 44, besides collecting most of his salary and travelling expenses on the field. In addition to these labors, he has visited associations, district and centennial meetings, thus proving himself a valuable and manifold helper on this needy field. Of the wisdom of this kind of work, I have not the least doubt.

The Salem Association, by resolution, called the attention of the Board to the great destitution existing in the territory extending south of its borders to the Florida line, and recommended Brother Dave Allen to do the work. I had an agreement with Brother Allen to go on the field and collect as much as he could, and report his labors, and I would ask the Board to supplement what the Association did. This work in the timber region is important and while it is full of difficulties, I am sure Brother Allen, having become acquainted with the field, can accomplish much more good in the future.

In the Bethlehem Association, extending along the river through Monroe into Baldwin county, there were five or six churches practically pastorless. I secured the services of Brother S. P. Lindsey, a native of Monroe county, and a recent graduate of the Howard, to locate in that section, and become pastor of these churches.

All the piney-woods sections of Monroe, Escambia, Baldwin and other South Alabama counties, are being rapidly filled up with white settlers and the Board may expect to have to cultivate this territory for years to come.

Rev. S. J. Catts, the pastor of Ft. Deposit and Steep Creek churches, has three missions under his charge, to which he preaches on Sunday afternoons and at night. The appropriation to him was only \$50.00 for this extra work. He has baptized thirty-three at these points, taken regular collections for missions, and will probably organize a church at each of them within a year. Work of this sort I am encouraging more and more among the pastors. It had gone out of fashion in recent years.

WORK OF THE SECOND CLASS, STRICTLY.

Brother S. O. Y. Ray has devoted himself to work of the second class. He has traveled as the evangelist of the Board in the Bigbee, South Bethel, Antioch, Bethlehem, Bethel and Pine Barren Associations, besides doing some work in the Cahaba, and making a trip into other counties on centennial work. His services have been confined almost entirely to the country. His labors are greatly appreciated by the pastors and churches. As soon as possible the Board should secure the services of three more good men for similar evangelistic work, prescribing their fields. Their labors should be given mainly to visiting pastorless churches, arranging fields and locating pastors, holding Baptist rallies at central points, and attending associations. If this idea is carried out they can not be expected to raise a great deal of their own salaries, for while they should take collections everywhere, their labors will be principally among the poor and undeveloped churches.

COLPORTAGE WORK FOR THE FUTURE.

As to colportage work, the following associations have signified their desire to co-operate with the Board in the support of colporters for all, or a part, of the year. Montgomery, Selma, Bethlehem, Harris, Tuscaloosa, Conecuh, Pine Barren, Bethel, Birmingham, South Bethel, Troy, East Liberty, Tuskegee and Rock Mills. Doubtless others have taken similar action, but I have not been apprised of it. I have the names of some good men who have agreed to begin the work as soon as the Board appoints them. This is the only work in my judgment we can do successfully in co-operation with the associations. It is very important and should be prosecuted as vigorously as the means at our command will allow. The chief difficulty I see in the way of carrying out this plan is the want of capital to keep invested in books. To increase the capital, I suggest that all the associations which did not raise colportage funds in the beginning of this work, be urged to raise at least \$100 each, and thereafter contribute as much as \$25.00 per annum to guard the fund against losses which must necessarily occur; that each church in the association be requested to take at least one collection for this object during the year; that these collections be not used to pay expenses, but go into the colportage fund for the purchase of books, that the commissions on S. S. literature and the contributions from the S. S. Board go to pay expenses, and the balance be paid from the State Mission funds.

I submit a list of the original contributors to the Colportage fund. We pledged ourselves at the time it was raised to keep this fund intact. I believe we should honestly carry out this purpose.

PERMANENT COLPORTAGE FUNDS.

Alexander Travis.....	\$ 100 05
A. Dougherty.....	100 00
A. J. Waldrop.....	99 75
Bailey Bruce.....	41 75
Bigbee Association.....	105 75
B. Manly, Sr	76 00
Bozeman Church.....	100 00
David Lee	100 50
I. W. Suttle	100 00
J. F. Bledsoe	111 20
J. J. D. Renfroe.....	32 75
John Dennis	100 00
John T. Davis.....	5 00
Joshua H. Foster	77 00
J. Stratton Paullin.....	100 10
J. H. Creighton	1 20
Kedar Hawthorne.....	55 50
Matthew P. Smith.....	100 00
Oliver Welch	67 90
P. H. Lundy.....	100 70
Robert Carson	50 00
Rock Mills Association	79 25
South Bethel Association	83 74
S. Henderson	80 00
S. S. First Church, Montgomery.....	100 00
W. C. Mynatt.....	74 24
T. P. Holcomb.....	60 00
W. Jacob Parker.....	62 10
Wood and Weaver.....	93 00
W. S. Lloyd	119 90
W. M. Wilson	87 45
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WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

Brother McAlpine is doing a work among the colored ministers which is being blest of God, approved by our pastors and churches and appreciated by the colored brethren. At our last Board meeting it was resolved to give him an assistant, if possible. The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Home Board, and if in his judgment the prospects justified the outlay, to make the contract and employ the man. I do not believe we are able now to enlarge this branch of our work,

though it ought to be done at the earliest day possible. To carry out these suggestions it will require a large increase of funds.

DIFFICULTIES THAT CONFRONT US.

We have serious difficulties to contend with:—our largest and wealthiest churches are not liberal to State missions, mainly because they do not realize its importance, and because they do not take collections often enough.

Unless the pastors of our large town and city churches take a greater interest in State missions we cannot secure the great increase of funds which is necessary to enlargement on the plan proposed. Another difficulty and danger arises from harsh criticism which is sometimes indulged in by brethren who little dream of the damage it will do. Some even go so far as to declare publicly that they will boycott the Board because its policy is not according to their judgments. When a Board is appointed by the Convention it should receive the earnest co-operation of every member of that Convention—at least for that year. If changes are desired they should be put before the Board in proper spirit, and considered carefully. If no conclusion can be reached then the matter should be referred to the Convention. We can make but little progress unless we can have harmonious action. There are difficulties enough to be overcome without increasing them by falling out among ourselves about methods. We all want to see the work well done. Let us give each other credit for honesty in the opinions we hold, and at the same time let us be tolerant of those which may differ from our own. But the greatest difficulty to be overcome is want of system in our contributions.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

I would recommend first, to individual members, the tithing system. I honestly believe that "the tenth is the Lord's." If we give it cheerfully we will be blest in our souls and our business, but if we refuse that, God will collect it in another way, which will be harder on us and without any spiritual benefit. When the land was under the curse of God, as evidenced by the malediction and blast and drouth, God's servants told his people it was because they had robbed him of tithes and offerings. The remedy for their trouble was to bring all the tithes into God's storehouse, and the promise was the windows of heaven should be opened and His blessing poured out upon the land and people.

2d. I think that one Sunday in each month should be set apart for collections in the churches and Sunday Schools for the following objects:

January—State Missions.
 February—Ministerial Education.
 March—Home Missions.
 April—Foreign Missions.
 May—Orphans' Home.
 June—Bible and Colportage.
 July—Judson Institute.
 August—Howard College.
 September—Home Missions.
 October—State Missions.
 November—Foreign Missions.
 December—Bible and Colportage.

3d. The envelope system is the best with which I am acquainted for taking collections. The canvassing book used in connection with it is a great help.

Surely a great missionary awakening ought to follow immediately the gracious revivals which have blest the churches of late.

RESULTS OF THE CENTENNIAL.

By an agreement entered into by the Board and the Centennial Committee, the Secretary of the Board was to superintend that movement in Alabama, the Board receiving one-third of funds passing through its hands. As a result of this campaign, which was prosecuted vigorously till May, the sum of \$11,166.05 was received at this office. Adding to this the amount reported last year, \$1 470.24, and \$1,958.93, sent direct by the churches to Richmond and Atlanta, we have a grand total for the Centennial from Alabama, \$14,595.22. Out of this fund I applied \$2,546.01 to State Missions. We can congratulate ourselves on our success in this regard, for Alabama stood very high among the States which made a satisfactory exhibit at the Southern Baptist Convention, and this was done with but little aid from the outside. But for the active co-operation of our Board this grand success could not have been attained. To the pastors in the State who traveled in this cause, the churches releasing them for the purpose, much of the credit is also due.

CONCLUSION.

The State Mission Quarterly is still greatly appreciated by the thousands who read its pages. Most of these are persons who read no other religious papers. It is gratifying for me to report that Miss Willie Kelly, who has been in my office for two years, has offered herself to the Foreign Mission Board, and has been accepted to go to China. Our

ladies are beginning to make contributions for her support. It is hoped that more of our women will imitate those of the Birmingham Association who have engaged to support Miss Hartwell in the foreign field.

W. B. CRUMPTON,
Corresponding Secretary.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE,

Number of missionaries	48
Days of service.....	8,704
Miles traveled.....	27,626
Sermons delivered.....	2,403
Addresses made	558
Churches constituted.....	8
Number of persons baptized.....	344
Baptized by others in connection with their labors.....	265
Received by letter.....	428
Restored.....	34
Sunday schools organized.....	41
Sunday school addresses.....	319
Ladies' missionary societies organized	12
Prayer meetings organized.....	34
Prayer meetings held....	830
Number of regular preaching stations without churches.....	64
Number of visits to preaching stations.....	248
Number of churches visited.....	319
Number of visits made	6,303
Subscribers to the "Alabama Baptist" secured.....	133
Subscribers to "The State Mission Quarterly".....	89
Subscribers to the "For. Mis. Journal".....	13
Subscribers to "Our Home Field".....	2
Pages of tracts distributed.....	10,856
Meeting houses commenced	13
Meeting houses finished.....	2
Money collected for meeting houses.....	\$7,018 20
Money collected for state missions	848.17
Money collected for home missions.....	264.25
Money collected for foreign missions.....	356.76
Money collected for ministerial education.....	89.96
Money collected for indigent ministers.....	8.11
Money collected for orphans' home.....	31.43
Money collected for Bible and colportage board.....	4.10
Money collected for church repairs	236.00
Money collected for benevolent objects.....	10.00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE STATE BOARD OF MIS- SIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCT. 31, 1893.

STATE MISSIONS.

To Balance on hand at last report.....	\$ 320 13	
Amount from all sources.....	8,745 50	
Received for State M. Quarterly.....	123 69	
Tracts	21 30—	9,210 62
By amount pd. Sec'y bal. on '91-'92.....	19 96	
'92-'93	1,485 59	
Missionaries.....	5,644 87	
Clerk hire	270 00	
Exchange and Money Orders..	40 97	
Express, freight and drayage...	23 50	
Postage	125 79	
Stationery and printing.....	106 77	
Telegrams.....	11 90	
Office expenses.....	59 03	
Trav. expenses Cor. Sec'y.....	229 03	
Members of B'd.	44 26	
Agents	161 52	
Pro rata Convention Printing..	100 03	
One-third expenses of Central Committee on Woman's Work	20 03	
One-third expenses Centennial.	160 92	
S. M. Quarterly expenses.....	252 62	
Counterfeit money.....	1 00	
Book department.....	100 00	
Tracts	21 30	
Cash on hand.....	331 48—	9,210 62
Amount of Centennial in above		2,421 55

HOME MISSIONS.

To Amount rec'd for Home Missions.....	4,881 10
Education Amelia Reciene..	120 00
Isabel Diaz	31 75
Pura Cova (Judson) ..	65 36
Cuban School	1 50
Chapel Building.....	398 15
Cuban Missions.....	16 25
Woman's Hospital....	
(Havana)	45 50

Indian Missions.....	18	
Chapel Building,		
Chapel, Bay St. Louis.....	26 75	
Total		5,586 54
Amount of Centennial in above	3,531 57	
By amount paid Home Missions.....		5,586 54

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To amount received for Foreign Missions.....	6,685 91	
Mrs. Jno. W. McCoilum.	5 00	
Christmas offer'g to Japan	350 72	
China Missions.....	4 52	
Sunbeam Missionary....	45 86	
Madero Institute, Mexico	66 00	
Mexican Missions.....	7 00	
Ernesto Borrocia, Mexico	60 00	
Chapel Building.....	656 82	
Chapel in Japan.....	10 50	
Miss A. B. Hartwell		
(B'ham Miss)	470 48	
Miss Willie Kelly.....	20 00	
Total		8,382 81
Amount of Centennial in above.....	5,208 75	
By amount paid Foreign Missions.....		8,382 81

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

To amount received.....		384 05
By amount paid.....	383 05	
Balance cash on hand.....	1 00—	384 05

HOWARD COLLEGE.

To amount received.....	27 35	
By amount paid.....		27 35

BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE.

To amount received.....		539 52
By amount paid.....	531 63	
Balance cash on hand.....	7 89—	539 52

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

To cash on hand last report.....	348 99	
To amount received.....	38 73	387 72
By amount on hand.....		387 72

ORPHANAGE.

To amount received.....		49 21
By amount paid.....	48 71	
Balance on hand.....	50—	49 21

CHURCH BUILDING IN ALABAMA.

To amount received.....		233 59
By amount paid	192 00	
Balance on hand	41 59—	233 59

RECAPITULATION.

State Missions.....	9,210 62	
Home Missions	5,586 54	
Foreign Missions.....	8,382 81	
Ministerial education.....	384 05	
Howard College	27 35	
Aged and infirm ministers	387 72	
Church buildings in Alabama.....	233 59	
Bible and colportage	539 52	
Orphanage	49 21	
Total	24,801 41	

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of W. B. Crumpton, secretary and treasurer of the State Board of Missions, and find the same correct and supported by proper vouchers.

A. J. GOODWIN, Auditor.

Selma, Ala., Nov. 4th, 1893.

NOTE.—On November 1st the Board was due its

Missionaries	\$ 1,200 00	
Deducting the amount now in treasury.....	331 48—	\$ 868 52

According to an agreement entered into by the Board and the Centennial Committee, the Secretary of the Board was to superintend the movement in Alabama, the State Board receiving one-third of the funds passing through its hands.

For this work	\$ 11,166 05	
Was sent to the Secretary, and	1,958 93	
Was sent by the churches direct to Richmond and Atlanta. Adding the amount reported to the convention last year	1,470 24	
Makes the grand total from Alabama for the Centennial		\$14,595 22
Of this amount the State Board received	\$ 2,546 01	
A little more than one-sixth of the whole amount.		
All contributions from Alabama for the Home and Foreign Boards are not sent through the State Board of Missions. The following sum- mary will show all the mission contributions from the State :		
For Home Missions for one year, closing Oct.		
31, 1893	\$ 8,108 34	
Adding amounts sent after above was received...	159 06	
Total for Home Missions		\$ 8,267 40
An increase over last year of	1,729 55	
For Foreign Missions for one year, ending Oct.		
31st, 1893	10,107 85	
Adding amounts sent after the reports above were received	746 57	
Total for foreign missions		10,854 42
An increase over last year of ...	3,193 20	
Receipts for State Missions.	8,745 50	
Which is an increase over last year of	1,127 77	
Making a grand total for the three boards of ...		27,867 32
Total increase over last year for all purposes ...	6,140 18	

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BOOK DEPARTMENT.

Bro. President and brethren of the State Board of Missions:

I beg to submit the following as the results of work done:

Resources on hand Nov. 1st, '92	\$ 3,420 37	
Contributions from Associations, Churches, etc	538 38	
" " Bap. S. S. Board, Nashville	100 00	
" " Am. Bap. Pub. So., Books	136 60	
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Making total resources	\$ 4,195 35	
Less donation account	51 38	
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Making actual resources	\$ 4,143 97	
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Stock on hand as per inventory.....	\$ 2,045 38
Accounts due by Colporters.	816 29
Accounts received from old Mission Board.	325 22
Accounts due by sundry parties.....	640 15
Cash in bank and safe.....	116 09
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Making	\$ 3,943 13
Present indebtedness	962 16
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Making present worth.	\$ 2,980 97
Total sales of the department 12 months.	4,476 42
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Total expenses.	1,665 04
Gains of the department.	502 04
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Making net losses or expenses.	\$ 1,163 00

In the colportage work we find from partial reports of eight colporters that 833 days of service has been rendered, 5,746 miles traveled, 2,312 families visited, 64 churches visited, 677 sermons preached, 21 prayer meetings held, 107 Sunday school addresses delivered, 162 families found destitute of the Bible, 33 Bibles and 63 Testaments donated; 1,152 Bibles, Testaments and books sold to the value of \$773.18; 9,000 pages of tracts distributed. But few of the colporters report in full, and others only report the amount of money remitted.

In the Tuskegee Association, the colporter and missionary (Bro. Hudson) did not enter the field until the first of July last. During the four months that he has labored, he reported the following: Number of days of service 121, 1,461 miles traveled, 1750 families and 19 churches visited, preached 53 sermons, held 20 prayer meetings, and made two Sunday school addresses. He finds 109 families destitute of the Bible, and donates 44 Testaments and nine Bibles. He has sold 468 books, Bibles and Testaments to the value of \$312.60, and distributed three thousand pages of tracts.

Bro. S. J. Ansley, of Stringfellow, has also done a fine work in his Association, and deserves much praise.

Bro. C. S. Pelham, of Ozark, reports that he is 74 years of age; has not missed an appointment; has charge of four churches, and has preached 142 sermons and done a fair colportage work.

Bro. W. J. Akins, of Winfield, from reports received from him, is doing a fine work.

The year has been a hard one for the missionaries, financially, yet they have labored patiently and have done a good work.

The sales to the colporters for the year amount to \$805.54.

The department has bought from the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Convention series of Sunday school helps, \$1,367.27; from the American Bap. Pub. Society, \$743.95; has sold to the Sunday schools of the Convention series, \$1,572.36; American Bap. Pub. Society, \$855.54; making total sales to the Sunday schools \$2,427.90. There are between 275 and 300 Sunday Schools of the State that are patronizing the Board. I would emphasize the great desire of the Board for the Sunday Schools throughout the state to send their orders to this department for Sunday School literature, Bibles, Testaments and song books.

The general sales of the department are sub-divided and are as follows: Sales to colporters, \$805.55; sales to Sunday Schools, \$2,427.90; sales to sundry parties of books, Bibles, song books, per mail, and stationery and stationer's sundries over the counter, \$1,242.97; making the grand total \$4,476.42.

The expense account, permit me to say, embraces the following items:

Salary of the secretary	\$ 1,000 00
Clerk hire	100 00
Printing	43 16
Exchange, discount and interest	23 94
Rental	275 00
Stamps	96 10
Postage	46 05
Incidental	80 79

Making the total \$ 1,665 04

In conclusion, I wish to thank the brethren of this Board for their continued confidence in me and for their courtesies towards me. I ask, also, in comparing this report with those of the preceding years, that you will remember the financial condition under which this year's work was done.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. COLLIER, Secretary.

This is to certify that I have examined the above, with accounts of books, and find the same correct.

J. T. FREDERICK,

10. The report of the Board of Ministerial Education was read by W. C. Cleveland, its president, (Vice-President

Ward in the chair) and on motion of A. J. Dickinson was referred to a committee consisting of A. J. Dickinson, J. J. Taylor and L. O. Dawson. The report was as follows :

REPORT OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The Board feels no less interest in the work committed to its care, and is still impressed with its grave importance; yet, at its last meeting, felt compelled by the condition of things then existing to take the following action:

"Whereas, this Board is to use the funds given it in the education of ministerial students, and whereas we have now no funds on hand, and promise of very little, and a debt of seven hundred (\$700.00) dollars, therefore be it

Resolved, That we act on no application for help until the meeting of the State Convention, when the whole matter shall be laid before that body."

The president of the Board was authorized and requested to report to the Convention that the present methods are inadequate to do the work as it is required to be done, and to recommend the abolition of the Board, so that the Convention can provide for the further prosecution of the work. We are quite convinced that present methods are inadequate, and we leave it to the wisdom of our brethren to devise ways and means to accomplish what needs to be done.

There were last session at Howard College ministerial students numbering 25: of these we aided, 20; we helped at Seminary, 7; at high schools, 2; total aided last session, 29. There are this session at Howard College 17: of these there are expecting aid, 15; other applicants at home waiting to go to college, 6; we have so far applicants for aid at Seminary, 3, and at high schools, 2; total number expecting aid this session, 26. This does not embrace all the work done in this line, as associations and churches are doing much work independently of our Board.

The indebtedness of the Board for session of 1892-93 is: Howard College, \$100.00; So. Bapt. Theol. Seminary, \$89.15; five married men at Howard College (estimated), \$250.00; total, \$439.15.

W. C. CLEVELAND, President.

The Board of Ministerial Education of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, in account with Geo. W. Ellis, Secretary and Treasurer, for the Conventional year ending November 6, 1893.

By contributions received as follows:

From C. J. Burden, at convention, Anniston....\$	3 00
G. D. O'Rear, " "	10 00
A. L. Moody, " "	10 00
R. C. Jones, " "	10 00
W. Wilkes, " "	5 00
B. H. Crumpton, " "	5 00
S. W. Averett, " "	5 00
J. E. Herring, " "	5 00
Collirene S. S. " "	5 00
New Bethel church, Calhoun Association...	2 00
Miscellaneous collect'n at convent'n, Anniston	20 00
Clanton church, Unity Association.....	5 00
Providence church, Unity Association.....	3 80
Calhoun Association	20 46
Bozeman church, Unity Association.....	30 00
Newton Association.....	23 50
S. J. Strock, Harpersville	4 00
Bethsaida church, Unity Association.....	5 00
Harmony church, " "	5 00
Bethel church, Alabama "	5 00
First church, Montgomery.....	100 00
Piedmont church, Calhoun Association....	10 00
Midway church, Eufaula "	45 02
Ladies Aid Society of Midway church.....	5 00
Enon church, Eufaula Association.....	5 00
S. S., Parker Memorial church, Anniston...	25 00
Ladies Missionary Society of Selma church.	135 00
Cedar Bluff Association.....	10 00
W. B. Crumpton, Sec. State Board of Missions	277 04
Wilsonville church, Shelby association.....	14 68
Ramer church, Eufaula "	10 00
Centre Ridge church, Eufaula "	10 00
Dry Valley church, Coosa River association.	5 00
Grant's Creek church, Tuscaloosa "	6 01
Big Springs church, Unity "	5 00
Columbiana church, Shelby "	8 00
St. Francis St. church, Mobile.....	131 80
Carrollton church, Union association.....	6 50
Oxford church.....	10 00

Eden church, Cahaba Valley association....	3 30
Ashville church, " " "	4 70
Evergreen church, Unity "	5 00
Shelby church, Shelby " ...	10 00
Cullman church and S. S.	3 46
Mary Lee church, Birmingham association..	4 50
Jacksonville church.....	20 00
Warrior church, Birmingham association....	50 00
Tuscaloosa church	46 86
Mt. Gilead church, Selma association.....	17 76
Columbia church	13 00
Tuscumbia church.....	5 00
Broken Arrow church, Cahaba Valley ass'n.	5 35
Evergreen church, Conecuh association.....	37 28
Montevallo church, Shelby "	25 00
Hurtsboro church.....	9 41
Alexander City church.....	3 75
Spring Hill church.....	1 30
Prattville church.....	20 00
Gilgal church, Tuscaloosa association.....	5 00
New Bethel church, Alabama "	5 00
Green Springs church, Birmingham associat'n	10 00
Bethesda church, Montgomery "	5 00
Lowndesboro church	15 00
Friendship church, Unity association.....	2 50
S. S., Town Creek church, Selma association	5 55
Mt. Zion church, Montgomery "	15 00
A. W. McGaha, East Lake....	5 00
Young People's Union of Selma church....	120 00
Talladega church.....	25 00
Roanoke church	12 15
S. S. of Roanoke church.....	11 60
Ladies Aid Society of Roanoke church.....	70
Fredonia church, East Liberty association...	1 50
Monterey (Name withheld by request.)....	10 00
New Prospect church, Birmingham associat'n	4 45
S. S. of Sumterville church.....	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Fanning, New Market	2 00
Town Creek church, Selma association.....	5 31
Pleasant Grove church, Coosa River associat'n	5 00
Auburn church.....	15 34
Friendship church, Pine Barren association..	7 00
Joseph Kirkland, Pleasant Plains.....	1 00
Friendship church, Montgomery association.	5 00

Mulberry church, Unity	"	5 00
Pratt City church, Birmingham	"	8 00
Opelika church.....		15 00
Mill Creek church, Cedar Bluff association		5 00
Post Oak Springs church, Calhoun	" ..	5 00
Harmony church,	" " ..	5 00
Young People's Union of Columbia church..		5 00
Shiloh church, Troy association ...		5 00
Castleberry church, Conecuh association ...		05
S. S. of LaFayette church.....		10 00
R. E. Pettus, Huntsville		2 00
R. P. Whitman, " ..		3 00
Bayou LeBatre church, Mobile association.		5 00
Bessemer church, Birmingham	" ..	15 59
Brewton " Conecuh	" ..	8 18
Hayneville church ..		8 30
Crawford church, Harris association		5 00
Mt. Ida " Coosa River association ..		1 00
Rocky Mt. " " " " ..		1 00
Forest Home church, Pine Barren	" ..	12 00
Enon church, Huntsville.....		50 00
Seale church.....		4 80
New Hope church, East Liberty association.		3 21
Ladies Aid Society of New Hope church ...		1 15
Elim church, Conecuh association.....		5 00
Antioch church, per R. T. Moore		3 09
Allenton church, Pine Barren association ...		10 00
Valley Creek church, Unity	"	5 00
Montgomery association.....		30 00
Dolomite church, Birmingham association...		5 50
Mud Creek association.....		13 40
Calera church		5 00
Clayton church.....		15 00
Concord church, Pine Barren association....		5 00
Six Mile church, Unity	" ..	5 00
Cahaba Valley church, Unity	"	5 00
Antioch association.....		1 00
Providence church, Selma association		14 15
Flomaton church, Conecuh	"	2 50
Jemison church, Shelby	"	5 00
J. D. Murphree, Troy.....		50 00
W. C. Bledsoe, LaFayette.....		10 00
J. C. Bush, Mobile.....		50 00
Pine Barren association		46 55

Ladies Missionary Society of Columbia ch...	6 00	
Union church, Eufaula association.....	5 00	
First church of Troy.....	25 10	
Columbia association.....	114 00	
A. W. McGaha, collection from Bethlehem and other associations.....	46 00	
A. W. McGaha, for Huntsville church.....	6 00	
Tuskegee association.....	5 30	
LaFayette church.....	52 52	
Haw Ridge association.....	8 75	
S. S. of Pratt City church.....	13 70	
Unity association.....	29 50	
Parker Memorial church, Anniston.....	75 00	
Locust Grove church, No. Liberty association	2 10	
Total receipts.....		\$2443 93

To amounts disbursed as follows:

Howard College, on session of 1892-93.....	\$1453 80	
Southern Baptist Theol. Sem., session 1892-93.	336 86	
J. M. Roden, Howard College ...	55 00	
S. P. Lindsey, " "	35 00	
J. C. Gilmer, " "	40 00	
W. H. Connell " "	20 00	
M. S. Stevens, " "	35 00	
J. E. Barnes, at Seminary.....	40 00	
J. T. Adams, Talladega, board of J. W. Martin	42 00	
J. B. Graham, Talladega, tuition of " "	15 00	
J. H. Longcrier, Six Mile High school	20 00	
Stationery, postage, printing, etc.....	15 58	
One desk for use of the Board.....	17 50	
Cost of money orders, registration fees, etc.,...	2 03	
Geo. W. Ellis, balance due for year 1892.....	132 43	
Expenses of members attending Board meetings	23 40	
Geo. W. Ellis, services for the present year....	150 00	
Balance on hand	10 33	—\$2443 93

By balance on hand as per statement above ...\$ 10 33

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. ELLIS,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Montgomery, Ala., November 6, 1893.

11. The President stated that no necessity had called the Board of Directors together and they had no report to submit.

12. The report of the Treasurer was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance, as follows:

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Nov. 6th, 1893.

To Alabama Baptist State Convention, Greenville, Ala :

DEAR BRETHREN—Below I beg leave to submit the annual report of my account with you as Treasurer:

HOWARD COLLEGE BUILDING FUND.

1893		1892	
Mch. 28.	To voucher....	\$1,604 00	Nov. 1. Bal. per last st'm't.\$ 934 21
June 8.	" "	1,500 00	By cash rec'd from
Nov. 1.	" "	1,604 00	all sources since
	Balance.....	266 20	Nov. 1st, 1892...4,039 99
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		\$4,974 20	\$4,974 20
		1893	
		Nov. 1. By balance.....	266 20

HOWARD COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

1893		1892	
Feb. 8.	To voucher.....	\$ 57 00	By bal. per last statement. \$ 89
July 17.	" "	59 00	cash (int. collected) ... 57 89
	Balance.....	801 78	" (" ").... 59 00
			(Prin. collec'd) ... 800 00
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		\$917 78	\$917 78
		1893	
		Nov. 1. By balance.....	801 78

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE F. ENSLEN, Treasurer.

The above statement of the Treasurer has been examined, and vouchers attached thereto correspond with entries thereon.

Very respectfully,

J. M. DAVIDSON, Auditor.

13. M. M. Wood, Statistical Secretary, reported that he was at work on his report, and, on motion of W. B. Crumpton, he was directed to print and circulate it when he had received additional statistics from the various associations to complete same.

14. The President announced the following special committees to report at this session, to-wit:

Collections—H. H. Shell, R. E. Pettus, W. A. Whittle.

Finance—P. B. Brown, J. B. Bell, D. B. Pearson.

Time and Place—W. J. Elliott, J. W. Willis, R. F. Manly.

Nominations—G. R. Farnham, J. H. Curry, T. H. Stout, H. W. Williams, I. A. White.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

15. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Howard College was read by W. C. Ward, president of the Board. After discussion by P. T. Hale and W. C. Ward, that part of the report referring to Affiliation with the University of Chicago, was referred to a committee consisting of J. J. Taylor, B. D. Gray, Robert H. Harris, B. H. Crumpton and J. H. Foster, and the remainder of the report to the Committee on Education. The report was as follows:

REPORT OF HOWARD TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of the Howard College, in obedience to the requirements of the Convention, submit the fifty-second annual report of the operations of the College. There were enrolled during the scholastic year 1892-3 one hundred and fifty-nine students. There were engaged as members of the faculty seven professors—gentlemen who have for a considerable time served the College as instructors and who have been retained so long, because in many respects for the discharge of the duties required of them as instructors of youth and as exemplary Christian gentlemen, it would be difficult to fill their places. There were graduated twenty-two young gentlemen—the largest class in the history of the College. These young gentlemen had, with few exceptions, gone through with the entire curriculum of the College. In every respect, except in the falling off of matriculations, and in the deficit in collections, the year was a most successful one. There was a disagreeable necessity to call upon the friends of the College to assist in paying the expenses of the institution. This was regretted because it was felt that the College had already become a painful subject to the Baptists of the State. If all the moneys due for board and tuition had been paid, it is believed this might

have been avoided. To aid in meeting this deficit friends contributed \$1,552.50. More than \$1,000.00 of the receipts of the current year have been used in paying debts contracted last year.

At the meeting of the Board, upon the occasion of the commencement in June last, there were present Drs. W. C. Cleveland, Joseph Shackelford, John P. Shaffer, J. J. Taylor, Rev. J. A. Glenn, Hon. John M. McKleroy, Hon. T. G. Bush, Hon. E. H. Cabaniss, Hon. J. M. Arnold, S. P. Fowlkes, Eugene F. Enslen, J. H. Eubank, R. W. Beck, W. H. Wood, F. M. Wood, Gilbert Carter and W. C. Ward, an unusually large attendance. All the faculty were re-elected, and in addition thereto Prof. A. B. Goodhue was elected Professor of Elocution. To his duties as instructor of Elocution has since been added that of teaching the French language. This aged, learned, Christian gentleman had at a former time served the College for more than twenty years. During the meeting of the Board it was learned that he had rendered most efficient service in preparing the students for the commencement in the matter of elocution, and that he would, if elected, serve the College without charge. He was, therefore, invited by the Board to take the place he now fills. For nearly two months he has been efficiently discharging the duties of the place he was invited to fill and at his own charges and without expense to the College.

A CHANGE.

After the meeting of the Board had adjourned, Dr. B. F. Riley, who came to the College as president in the fall of 1888, when its oldest friends feared failure, and at a time a yellow fever epidemic desolated neighboring cities, and who had successfully guided the College through six years, tendered his resignation to accept the chair of English in the Georgia University. The Board reluctantly accepted his resignation, expressing to him by appropriate resolutions their appreciation of his services. He was a most zealous, diligent and efficient officer of the College. In the matter of discipline, he was watchful and rigid. Without loss of time the Board of Trustees promptly elected Dr. Arthur W. McGaha president of the Faculty of the College. After hesitating to assume the duties of a place so charged with difficulties and responsibilities he accepted. He at once went to work and thus far has demonstrated that no mistake was made in his selection. There never has been a time when discipline was better, and there was never less friction. It is safe to say that he has completely won the respect and esteem of the students. Baptists of Alabama, he is worthy of your confidence. We ask that you give him your cordial esteem and co-operation, and aid him to build your College.

The enrollment of students has reached one hundred and thirty-four, and this, too, during a period of the greatest financial depression in twenty years. The income from this number of students will not be sufficient to defray the expenses of operating the College, and that, too, after some severe reductions in salaries.

AFFILIATION WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

During the last scholastic year, apprehending there would be a deficit in the expenses of the College, Dr. Riley visited Chicago to confer with President Harper as to the matter of obtaining assistance. He had hoped in some way to induce the authorities of the University to assume the salary at least of the President. He was much encouraged by his visit, though he did not obtain the assistance or the promise of it. He did secure the promise of Dr. Harper's co-operation. He was impressed that because it was the policy of the University to inaugurate and maintain a university co-operative system throughout the country, it would be wise in conformity with the rules adopted for that purpose for the Howard to affiliate with the University. It was evident to him as to others, that it was the aim of the directors to make the University the leading and most important institution of learning in America, if not in the world, and to that end it was the part of wisdom that all the Baptist schools of the country should unite in one grand educational uplifting throughout the land. To promote this view, men of large means wanting to give money to establish educational institutions would give only to those colleges aligning themselves with this movement. The Board of Trustees committed Dr. Riley's recommendation to a committee for inquiry. There were few facts to obtain. Most of these have been published. The plans of affiliated work are elaborated in the annual Register of the University, a copy of which is in the Convention. Not having authority to do more than recommend, the Board brings this matter to the Convention, and while believing that great good may come to the College by affiliation, and with no fear that any harm can possibly accrue to the College from such an association, begs the advice of the Convention. This matter assumes a supreme importance in view of the fact that the mortgage debt on the College property of the Convention is rapidly maturing. What can be done to meet this emergency?

BUILDINGS.

The President of the College very earnestly desires that something be done to enlarge the accommodations for students. There

are now on the College grounds, the main College building, four brick dormitories in which sixty-four students are provided for, and a large framed building, when built, intended as a temporary dormitory, capable of accommodating about sixty students. As not all the students can find rooms in the brick buildings, those complain who must be put in the framed building. While the wood building is comparatively comfortable, it is not so comfortable as the brick building. It will not be long before this building will need repairing to such an extent that it will be deemed best to build new houses. Provision ought to be made for at least one hundred and thirty students, equally well provided for. There is another large framed building used for a mess hall and which for some time will answer this purpose. The Convention can wisely expend \$10,000.00 in additional buildings.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE COLLEGE.

In religious work, as in almost everything we undertake, it appears most of our difficulties grow out of the lack of money. The work that makes most demands for money is the most unpopular. One creditor, holding a claim for \$1,600.00, offered to give \$500.00 of the debt to the College, if promptly paid. The Board of Trustees authorized the President and Treasurer to borrow \$1,100.00 by a mortgage of the land donated by the Walker Land Co. and pay this debt. This was done. But there are other debts which are very urgent. There is owing \$1,500.00, now past due for nine months, for the heater used in the main building. We have no means or money with which to pay this debt. There is a debt of about \$4,300.00, not provided for, still owing to Mr. Richards, the contractor who built the four brick dormitories. Dr. Purser contracted for the erection of two of these buildings, expecting by the time of their completion to have enough money raised to pay the contractor. He failed to get subscriptions. The people withheld their hands. It is believed there are enough subscription notes pledged to secure the payment of the other money due for borrowed money to put up buildings. There is still due to the Jefferson County Savings Bank \$585.00, and to Calvary Williams \$793.00, secured as stated below.

For tuition and board furnished students since the removal of the College, there still remains due about the sum of \$3,430.00. Of subscription notes for the main building, pledged to the Union Trust Company to secure loan of \$40,000.00, there is still due the sum of \$18,000.00; and of the subscriptions for the dormitories, pledged to secure loans to build dormitories, there is still uncol-

lected the sum of \$4,848.00. The real estate of the Convention remains about the same as at the last meeting of the Convention, and to the report then made reference is made for information in that particular.

Of money collected to pay the mortgage loan there is now lent out on mortgages \$14,500.00. We need now to pay interest due 1st of October \$1,350.00.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The time of service on the Board of the Trustees classed in the First Division has expired, and it will be the duty of the Convention to fill the places made vacant. The trustees whose term of service has expired are Judge J. M. Arnold, Gilbert Carter, Rev. J. J. Taylor, D. D., Capt. J. T. Davis, Judge J. R. Tyson, Rev. J. P. Shaffer, D. D., Rev. E. B. Tengue, D. D., and Rev. W. C. Cleveland, D. D. Rev. W. Wilkes, D. D., whose term expires in 1895, tendered his resignation to the Board of Trustees, but he was informed that the Board could not act upon it. We hope he will not insist upon the Convention accepting his resignation. In the selection of Trustees let it be remembered that your wisest and best and most zealous men, friendly to the College, men who want to make the College a success and are willing to labor to build it up, ought to be selected.

CRITICISMS.

The members of the Board of Trustees, like all public servants who serve a cause without reward, and in this without honor, do not expect to escape criticism. The one satisfaction derived from the fact of criticism is that it shows the critics are concerned for the College. We ask, however, that your criticisms be so guarded as not to injure the College. Some recent strictures are not helpful. In all good faith and with all due respect, if there are any brethren who know how to build and operate a college without money, and one that is in debt, most gladly will we give back into the hands of the Convention the trust committed to us. In fact it may be the wisest thing to discharge the old crew and put the institution in the hands of new men.

ORGANIZED WORK TO BE DONE.

However interested brethren of the ministry may be in the work of missions and other religious enterprises, the grand work for Alabama Baptists is to build and maintain educational insti-

tutions for their children. Fill the State with young men and women educated in mind and morals and trained to be leaders in thought, and you will do foundation work for the grandest superstructure in the world. There must, in the providence of God, be a future for the people of Alabama, and, if, so we can not have too many good schools and colleges. The Northern States have grown rich and populous because of the schools and grand colleges that everywhere fill the country, and nearly all the colleges are denominational colleges.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. WARD,

Pres't. Board of Trustees of the Howard College.

16. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Judson Institute was read by T. T. Daughdrill, secretary of the Board. After discussion by Geo. B. Eager, on motion of W. B. Crumpton, the allusion in the report to the bonded debt was referred to a committee consisting of T. L. Jones, J. B. Lovelace, J. J. Taylor, A. J. Dickinson and G. A. Joiner. The report was as follows:

REPORT OF JUDSON TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of Judson Institute have the honor to submit the following report of the fifty-fifth annual session. It began the 29th of Sept. 1892, and ended the 8th of June, 1893.

Fifteen salaried teachers and officers were employed. The total enrollment of students was one hundred and thirty-one. Ninety-six students boarded in the building. On commencement day twenty graduates received diplomas, as follows: In music, two; in the eclectic course, nine; in the full course, nine.

Thirteen post-graduates attended upon instruction in special courses—some pursuing literary studies, others, musical and art studies, while others still pursued the excelsior course and won the honor of the excelsior medal. The excelsior course gives thorough preparation for entrance into the best American Universities.

A course of Bible lessons has had its place in the daily routine for many years. Instruction is given four days in the week for half an hour each day, a lecture and a recitation following each other on alternate days. The Faculty regard the Bible lessons as being of great value; the Board would say that, in their opinion, there is no better method of setting before the students of Chris-

tian colleges the ways of a true life than by teaching them the Bible.

The work of the Judson has received recently distinguished marks of public approval. Its graduates are filling positions of honor and responsibility in the faculties of colleges in Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Other graduates are doing excellent work in the high schools and grammar schools of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

The health of the students has been excellent. The physician's bill for attendance during the entire session, upon the ninety-six boarding students enrolled, was ninety-three and one-half dollars, or less than one dollar for each student.

The current session opened the 28th of September. We have to this date ninety-four students in attendance, including fifty-two boarders.

The expenses of the session are greater than the income at present. The same causes that have produced a shrinkage in every other business have kept many students away from the Judson. We may say, however, after investigation, that very few of our former students have been diverted to other boarding schools, while some students who are now with us have rejected flattering offers to go elsewhere. The small attendance reported is a result of a general financial stringency and not of any disaffection towards the school. It is confidently believed that with the return of prosperity to our country, the school will flourish and will meet all of its pecuniary obligations and reduce its bonded debt. The Board earnestly solicit the united support of the brethren, ministers and private members, throughout the State. It will hardly be claimed by any competing schools that they afford superior advantages to those furnished at the Judson. If its affairs have been wisely and faithfully administered, a matter into which we invite the closest scrutiny, it can not be said with reason that such facilities as the Judson offers can be had at less cost at any other school.

Since we submitted our last report we have sustained a great loss by the death of the President of the Board of Trustees. After a long illness, which was endured with Christian fortitude and patience, Dr. W. W. Wilkerson departed this life on the 7th of last March. We may not, within the proper limits of this report, record his long and valuable services to the Baptist denomination, but we may be allowed to say that Howard College, Judson Institute, the "Alabama Baptist" and the Sunday School series of the Southern Baptist Convention owe much to his wise, patient and

liberal efforts. His name is cut in the granite corner stone of our central building and it is written indelibly on our hearts.

In view of our loss by his death, the following recommendations of the Board of Trustees will require the action of the convention, viz:

1st. That C. A. Wilkerson, M. D., be elected a Trustee for the term which expires in 1907.

2nd. That J. B. Lovelace, whose term expires with this session of the convention, be re-elected a Trustee, and elected also President of the Board.

These recommendations were made by the Board at its last annual session and recorded in the minutes of the 7th of June.

We would call your attention to our bonded debt. Its amount is twenty-four thousand dollars. The bonds mature October 15th, 1894. The Board asks for instructions with reference to the matter of providing for this obligation.

Signed for the board,

T. T. DAUGHDRILL,

Secretary.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

17. The Convention sermon was preached by J. L. Lawless from the text: "We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles, knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified." Gal. 2:15, 16.

18. The pending amendments to the Constitution, of which notice was given last year, were discussed by A. J. Dickinson, T. L. Jones and A. W. McGaha, and amended and adopted. (See item 19.)

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

19. On motion of J. C. Hudson, the vote adopting the amendments to the Constitution was reconsidered; and, on motion of W. B. Crumpton, the amendments were referred

to a committee consisting of W. B. Crumpton, D. P. Bestor and Z. D. Roby, to report at this session.

20. On motion of J. A. French, it was

Resolved, That this body has learned with pleasure of the formation of the Alabama Baptist Historical Society, and commend it to the co-operation and fellowship of the members of this body;

Resolved, That we also learn with satisfaction that this society has elected Rev. B. F. Riley, D. D., historian, and we urge all brethren possessing historical material to forward the same to Dr. B. F. Riley at Athens, Georgia, and to use their influence to this end with others, besides giving this movement their moral support in all directions.

21. B. D. Gray submitted the report of the committee to whom was referred the report of State Board of Missions. After discussion of the subject of State Missions by L. O. Dawson, W. S. Henderson, A. J. Dickinson, J. M. Thomas, W. C. Cleveland (Vice-President Jones in the chair), W. B. Crumpton and I. T. Tichenor, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the Report of the State Board of Missions, beg leave to report as follows:

First. We have made the desired excerpts from the Report, which are herewith transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention for the minutes.

Second. As to the practical suggestions and recommendations of the Board's report, we would recommend that our people and churches give systematically, every week, to our various benevolent and missionary work as the Lord prospers them; and that this object may be attained we recommend the weekly envelope system to our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

B. D. GRAY,
Z. D. ROBY,
J. L. LAWLESS,
GEO. B. EAGER,
A. J. DICKINSON,
J. A. FRENCH.

22. On motion of Geo. B. Eager, a committee, consisting of W. C. Bledsoe, W. M. Burr and D. P. Bestor, was appointed to meet with the Trustees of the Orphans' Home to consider offers of a permanent location and other important matters.

23. The report of the committee to whom was referred the question of Affiliation of Howard College with the University of Chicago was submitted by J. J. Taylor, and discussed by J. J. Taylor, P. T. Hale, J. A. French, A. W. McGaha, W. B. Crumpton, L. O. Dawson, W. C. Ward, J. C. Bush, D. P. Bestor, J. C. Hudson, and without action the Convention adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

24. Discussion of the pending question was continued by B. D. Gray, J. R. Sampey, A. J. Dickinson, W. C. Ward, J. W. Stewart, B. H. Crumpton and W. A. Whittle, and the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON AFFILIATION.

We find on investigation that the Trustees of Howard College have no proposition before them from the University of Chicago looking to affiliation between the two institutions, and that the subject involves many incidental questions on which we have not at present sufficient light to act. Therefore, reaffirming our confidence in the wisdom and fidelity of the brethren composing the Board, we instruct them to gather all the facts and information on the subject and such propositions as may be submitted to them for affiliation, and report the same, with recommendations, for the action of the Convention at its next annual session.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. TAYLOR,
JOSHUA H. FOSTER,
B. D. GRAY,
ROBERT H. HARRIS,
B. H. CRUMPTON,

25. On motion of W. C. Ward, it was

Resolved, That the Alabama Baptist State Convention hereby commits to the Baptist Women of Alabama the work of raising the means to endow the chair of the President of the Faculty of Howard College, and that the duty of organizing for this work be entrusted to Miss Lida B. Robertson of Mobile, who, by pen and deed, has shown great zeal in behalf of the college.

[Reconsidered, see item 34.]

26. The report of the committee to whom was referred the report of Board of Ministerial Education was read by A. J. Dickinson, and discussed by A. J. Dickinson, W. H. Smith, J. R. Sampey, Geo. B. Eager, and after the taking of subscriptions by W. C. Cleveland amounting to about three thousand dollars, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER REPORT OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee, to consider the report of the Board of Ministerial Education, would recommend:

1. That the Board, as suggested in its report, be abolished, and the work of Ministerial Education be committed to the State Board of Missions.

2. That the State Board of Missions be authorized, if in its wisdom it seems best, to employ, in addition to the Missionary Secretary, an Educational Secretary to canvass the State in the interests of Ministerial Education, and all the interests of our educational institutions.

A. J. DICKINSON,
J. J. TAYLOR.
L. O. DAWSON.

27. The three pending amendments to the Constitution were reported, with amendments, by W. B. Crumpton, and, after discussion by W. B. Crumpton, A. E. Burns, W. S. Brown, T. L. Jones, J. C. Hudson, and W. S. Henderson, were adopted as follows:

Let Article I of the Constitution read as follows :

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as "The Alabama Baptist State Convention," and shall consist (1) of three delegates from each Baptist District Association in Alabama, co-operating with this Convention, if said Association shall have five hundred members, or under, and one additional delegate for every five hundred members, or fraction thereof, above that number, whose annual election or appointment shall be duly certified by the printed minutes, or certificate of an officer of the Association represented by them; (2) of one delegate from each church co-operating with this Convention, if said church shall have fifty members, or under, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof, above that number; (3) of persons who contribute funds, or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this Convention, on the basis of one representative for each one hundred dollars actually paid into the treasury of the Boards of this Convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembling. But in all cases must delegates to this body be brethren of Baptist Churches in good standing.

Let Article VIII read as follows :

ARTICLE VIII. The design of this Convention shall be to elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Alabama in one sacred effort to encourage and promote (1) the propagation of the gospel in this State, and through the Southern Baptist Convention in the destitute parts of the world; (2) the education of those it believes called of God to the ministry; (3) the education of the youth of our country; (4) the publication and distribution of the Word of God and other literature; (5) the organization and usefulness of Sunday-Schools and other religious and educational movements it may deem promotive of the interests of the kingdom of Christ and sanctioned by the Word of God.

Let Article XIV be repealed. (Fixes representation).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

28. The report on Home Missions was read by W. G. Curry, and the convention was addressed by F. C. McConnell, and the report adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The blessing of God still rests upon the work of the Home Mission Board. As we review the work done in the past, and contemplate the great and increasing demands for the future, we are profoundly impressed with the magnitude of the work, and the necessity for broader plans and more liberal support.

It is gratifying to note in the report of the Board to the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention that after paying an indebtedness of \$9,662.50 with which it began the year, \$22,980.30, on the house of worship in Havana, and increasing its mission work, the year was closed with a balance in the treasury \$2,784.41.

This result was due to the increased contributions made to the treasury under the influence of the Centennial Movement.

Now that the Centennial funds have been exhausted, and in view of the unprecedented stringency of the times, we fear that the work of the Board will be greatly retarded if there is not a decided effort put forth by the churches to prevent it.

We note with peculiar interest the success of the work in Cuba. The work so happily begun on that island some years ago has continued to widen and deepen, till now. Since the day that Diaz began to preach the gospel in his own hired house on that priest-ridden isle the blessing of God has attended in a marvelous degree every effort of his people for the propagation of the gospel in Cuba. The beautiful house of worship in the midst of the city of Havana is paid for. Diaz and his people now worship God under their own vine and fig-tree, and none dare molest or make them afraid, while 20 other missionaries in Havana and adjacent towns are extending the borders and preparing the field for the coming harvest. Surely with such evidences of God's favor resting upon the work the churches should furnish the Board with the means necessary for carrying forward the work in Cuba.

We also note with peculiar pleasure the work of the Woman's Missionary Union. Each year the women of our churches are becoming more and more efficient workers in the great field of missions. Their societies are increasing and their contributions to the treasuries of our Boards are growing larger every year.

The contributions of the women's societies last year (besides what they did for foreign missions, reached the handsome sum of \$26,280.07. These figures tell in eloquent terms what our noble women are doing in the way of direct contributions to the treasury of the Lord. "But they do not tell of the blessed influence they have sent out, and the important help they have rendered to all our mission workers, as they have circulated hundreds of thousands

of pages of mission literature, written thousands of letters, edited mission columns in the papers, organized societies, trained mission bands of children, sent sunshine into the homes of many of our frontier missionaries by their valuable boxes, created and fostered the missionary spirit in our churches, and performed much other work which statistics can not give but whose 'record is on high.' "

The Board is still prosecuting its work in our large Southern cities with gratifying results. This is especially true of New Orleans. Causes which have hitherto operated against the work there have been in a large measure removed. Brethren D. I. and J. F. Purser so largely and so favorably known in Alabama, have been employed by the Board and are now vigorously at work in that great city. Under their wise and efficient management things are decidedly more hopeful. With the blessings of God upon the labors of these strong men, we confidently look for and expect great things as the result of the work in New Orleans.

We can not close this report without urging upon the attention of the Convention the work of the Home Board among the colored people of this State. The Home Board, in co-operation with the State Board of Missions, have employed the Rev. W. H. McAlpine, a man of high character, an able preacher, a good organizer, and thoroughly understanding the needs of his people, he has devised a splendid system of instruction for the colored preachers of the State. We most heartily recommend this brother and his work to the confidence and co-operation of the pastors and churches throughout the State.

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. CURRY,
Chairman.

29. The report on Foreign Missions was read by D. C. Culbreth, the convention was addressed by Robert H. Harris and R. J. Willingham, and the report adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the late war it was accepted, as a matter almost beyond controversy, that when "Stonewall" Jackson projected his forces against the enemy success was sure to follow.

Two reasons have been given for the wonderful victories achieved by the men who followed his lead.

The first is, "Obedience to orders was the recognized rule of duty."

The other is, "All along the line, from the humblest private in the ranks to the highest general officer, there was an unlimited faith in him who issued the orders."

A mightier captain than "Stonewall" Jackson, even the Captain of our salvation says to us, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Those were the marching orders which he gave to his immediate followers, and which to-day ring in the ears of every Christian.

As a supplement to the orders, and for the comfort and encouragement of his people, for all the ages, he declared, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

What do we see in this commission? and what of good cheer to us is there in his promised presence?

What are we doing with reference to the obligation imposed upon us by our marching orders? and what is our confidence in him who issues the orders?

As Baptist people we claim to be, in all of the essentials to a positive obedience to divine command, the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are enlisted in his army, and we declare by our enlistment, that we are subject to orders.

He unfurls a royal banner, the insignia of ultimate and complete triumph; and as he points to its shining folds says to us go and plant it upon the very strong-holds of Satan and sin and death, the wide world over.

As a matter of fact, are we much intent upon a forward movement? and is there that enthusiasm along the line, such as presages an early victory?

What does the record prove?

There are in Alabama one hundred thousand white Baptists, who are the constituents of this convention, and who are declaring by their affiliation that they are in sympathy with all the efforts that are being made for the world's evangelization.

We quote from the report of the treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board that, during the past year, we have contributed to that board, including the Centennial Fund, only \$11,504.06. When we consider that we number a hundred thousand, and then remember that the per capita contribution of Alabama Baptists to foreign missions is only eleven cents, surely there is reason for us to ask ourselves the question: are we as obedient to the requirements of the commission as we ought to be?

But the figures are more startling when we consider that we have just passed through a year of extended effort all along the

lines of mission work and that a great deal of stress has been laid upon the "educational feature" of that effort.

We find, in the conclusion to the report on foreign missions, made at the last session of the "Southern Baptist Convention," this language, "The Centennial, with its memories and its successes, should be a clarion to stir the hearts of Southern Baptists to continued and consecrated and Christly contributions."

The sentiment is thrilling and soul-stirring; but when we look at the per capita of eleven cents from Alabama Baptists we are much inclined to say that the "memories" and the "successes" should be to us a constant reminder of the fact that our contributions have not been either "continued" or "consecrated" or "Christly."

When we consider our number and our ability we dare not say that we, as followers of Christ, are doing the work of foreign missions which loyalty to him demands of us.

The all-important question then is, why are we lacking in loyalty? That we love the Lord none will deny. Why is it, then, that we do not more fully show our love by a more consecrated obedience to his law of work?

We conclude that, as love is not wanting, it must be due to our lack of faith in the divine promise.

The Master says to us: "go" and "I am with you."

If we more fully believed in his promised presence, would there not be more going and more preaching?

Would not a continued and systematic enlargement of our contributions witness to our faith in the power of the gospel?

We pray and we pray, "Thy kingdom come;" and yet the little effort we are putting forth in order that it may be established evidences a lack of faith in the promised gathering of the nations to him.

What we need is a change in the form of prayer.

We need to go to a throne of grace, asking not so much for the coming of the kingdom as for an increase in our faith.

The measure of success in our work for Christ will ever be dependent upon our faith.

In the world's evangelization, as in almost any department of life, the results are limited by the expectation.

We say we believe in the ultimate triumph of the cross, but we have not the faith to believe that God can bring it to pass, even in a day.

If we had the faith, the prayer of the ages would cease, and in its stead would be heard the shoutings and hosannas of a world redeemed and disenthralled from sin.

But things that are little and insignificant, when compared to the power of God, bar the way of our faith, and shut us out from great blessings.

We hear and read a great deal about "intellectual pagans," and "learned heathen" and "highly cultivated idolaters;" and these are, to us of little faith, almost insurmountable obstacles in the way of the world's evangelization. We seem to have more faith in their power to resist the truth than in the power of God which accompanies the truth.

A so-called "Congress" of so-called religion, in which the religion of our Lord is sought to be placed upon a low level with all the "isms" of earth, is to a great many of us an Egyptian host in the rear, and a mighty sea in front; and so great are the fears of our unbelieving hearts that we are unable to see the outstretched hand of God moving the waters back.

We need to travel, for a season, with Paul in his missionary work.

If we could but stand with him before the philosophers and the wisest men of idolatrous and pagan lands, we might learn to know that it is 'not by might, nor by power,' but by the Spirit of the living God.

And, it may be, that in spite of the much wisdom and culture which confronted us, we might be led to have more faith in the "all power" of Him who bids us go and preach the Gospel.

Then, instead of standing still and talking about the impediments, instead of fearing the hosts opposed to the Kingdom of God; we would be able to see a clear way through the sea, and would move steadily forward, intent upon the overcoming of the world for Christ.

We must go forward. Loyalty demands it.

If the amount contributed by Alabama Baptists was needed last year for the work of our Foreign Board, certain it is that as much will be needed this year.

If Alabama Baptists could raise last year \$11,500.00, there is no reason why Alabama Baptists can not raise a like amount this year for Foreign Missions.

If we shall fail to do so we can justly conclude that the Centennial, instead of being with its memories and its successes a clarion to stir the hearts of Southern Baptists to continued and consecrated and Christly contributions, was but a galvanism which imparted no permanent life to the mission spirit of our people; and that its educational features were nothing more nor less than a display of oratorical pyrotechnics, which, when ended, left nothing

but a dense smoke, and a dark beclouded conception of the spirit of true service in the cause of Christ. But let us not fail. The King's business is just as urgent, and his command is just as imperative this year, as it was last year. There is as much call for education and prayer and faith and giving now as then.

Duty under the commission ever means going forward. If the work in which we are engaged required haste last year, it requires as much this year. Yea, it requires more haste.

The old appeal rings with a clearer sound to-day than ever before from our foreign fields, "the harvest is plenteous, the laborers are few." Like a despairing cry it comes to us from every Macedonia. The laborers are few! The laborers are few!

While it is true that forty have been added during the past year to our force of missionaries on foreign fields, it is also true that as the laborers have multiplied, the field has extended and the harvest has grown whiter and the cry is more urgent and imperative than ever, "the laborers are few."

"Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest." But as we pray, let us remember that upon us is devolved the solemn obligation of bringing the message of Christ to a lost world.

G. A. HORNADY, Chairman.

30. A. W. McGaha addressed the convention in the interest of the *Foreign Mission Journal* and secured one thousand subscriptions therefor.

THURSDAY MORNING.

31. T. L. Jones presented the matter of the basis of representation in the Southern Baptist Convention and asked for an expression of opinion thereon. B. H. Crumpton moved that the convention express itself as favoring the numerical basis, and Z. D. Roby offered a substitute favoring the combined numerical and financial basis; and the substitute was adopted by a vote of 20 to 11.

32. The president announced the Standing Committees to report at next session, as they appear on second page of cover.

33. The report on education was read by Z. D. Roby as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The need of education is more generally recognized by the people of Alabama now than ever before. The demand for education grows stronger and more imperative. To meet this growing demand increased and commendable efforts are being made by both Church and State.

The State realizes its urgent need of an educated citizenship; and the Church feels her want of an educated membership. In this country citizenship does not imply, but does *include* all church membership; and church membership does imply citizenship, but *includes* it only in part. Hence this important work of education devolves alike upon both Church and State. The State may have the larger share in this work, but the Church has the older and deeper interest in it, and claims the purer, stronger motives, and the higher, holier aims in what she is doing. These two workers, in this one broad field, are co-laborers, mutually helpful and mutually dependent. None of us, we are sure, would have the State do less, while some of us would have the Church do more, much more.

Some brethren are getting nervous and say, "the State is going to monopolize this whole business?" Well, suppose it does, what then? If the State can give good, wholesome education, at less cost than the Church schools can furnish it, the churches lose nothing but gain much, they are not hurt but helped. Church members constitute the best and wisest and worthiest and most numerous class of Alabama's citizens; hence, whatever Alabama does for the education of her population is done in largest measure by the brains and votes and money of church members.

If this is true, why is it then that church schools do not more successfully compete with, and advance beyond, State schools? The answer is easy: there are several denominations of Christians in Alabama, but the one State holds them all and taxes them all. These several Christian denominations propose each to have its own college or university: or, worse still, to have two colleges or two universities, one for the boys and the other for the girls. This makes a case of long division, in which the dividend soon proves too short for the divisor. Every denominational college is brought into competition with, not only State schools, but with every other denominational college, of whatever creed and

wherever located. That so many of these institutions have thus far survived may not be a miracle, but it certainly is astonishing; and it proves, as nothing else can prove, the genuine love our people have for Christian education and their unfeigned devotion to the principles of their respective religious denominations. Who will say that *Christian* education is not safe when controlled by such a people?

BAPTIST COLLEGES IN ALABAMA.

Our Judson Female Institute at Marion is still doing the excellent service for which it has been so long and so widely and so justly famed. President Averett and his well and wisely chosen faculty are working vigorously. They are happy, and would be happier, if they had a hundred more of Alabama's fair daughters in the Judson. But "hard times," of which we have all heard, are no respecter of person nor of institutions; no, not even of the dear old Judson. We congratulate the management that all the affairs of the Judson are in as good shape as they are.

In regard to the bonded debt reported, we know of nothing wiser or safer for the Convention to do than to request the trustees to make the best arrangement they can for meeting the obligation; the Convention promising to accept and, as far as possible, to carry out the arrangement made by the Board of Trustees.

HOWARD COLLEGE.

President A. W. McGahn, together with an able, hard working, self-sacrificing faculty, has undertaken, in good earnest, the perplexing duties of his highly responsible and exceedingly difficult office. The Howard did surprisingly well last year, and is doing equally well so far this year, circumstances properly considered. *Circumstances!* that is just the word and just the trouble and the only trouble at Howard College to-day. A year ago, in Anniston, the *circumstances* were considered and a series of resolutions passed. But if the resolutions have ever affected the circumstances we have not heard of it. The resolutions were real, good, *strong* ones; and, a committee, consisting of eleven *very* able men, was appointed to carry these resolutions into effect; and yet, these strong men, with their strong resolutions, made no impression on the circumstances.

WHAT IS THE MATTER?

Our Baptist brethren in this State are not of "one mind and one heart."

(a). Many of them—the vast majority, we fear, are wholly unconcerned—care for none of these things.

(b). Of the rest, some are ardent and enthusiastic advocates of denominational colleges in general and of Howard College in particular, but send their sons to State institutions.

(c). Many others have no definite opinion, much less any conviction of personal obligations to our Baptist schools: cost and convenience are the only factors in their decision, as to when and by whom their sons are to be educated.

(d). Still others, and not a few either, are all the time saying that they can see no need for the existence of the Howard or any other Baptist colleges; that Baptist families, Baptist Sunday schools, Baptist churches and Baptist theological seminaries are quite sufficient to do all needed, distinctive, Baptist teaching.

Now, these are the facts in the situation, and these facts are responsible for the circumstances of which we complain, and the circumstances will remain unchanged until the facts are altered.

If our more than 102,000 white Baptists in Alabama were at all in sympathy with our college enterprise, the Howard would have 400 students to-day; and if this great host of Baptists was in the least concerned for the existence of Howard College, an endowment of \$500,000 could and would be raised in the next twelve months. They are not and never have been concerned for the welfare of our college. Will they ever be?

If one-fifth or even one-tenth of our members were interested to the extent of only one dollar each, the \$10,000 for which the Howard is now so earnestly asking, that her doors may be kept open one year more, would at once be given. This *one-tenth* of our numbers never has been interested for our college; and, we ask, will the future prove better than the past?

The Howard management say that not less than \$10,000 must be had and expended *this year*. Shall we give it to them? If not, we are not so much in favor of denominational education as you heard we were.

If, among all the graduates of the Howard, as many as one hundred of them will raise each \$100, that will furnish the \$10,000 called for, and they will think more of their diplomas than they now do.

If fifty men, preachers and others, who have received "honorary degrees" from the Howard, will raise an average of \$200 each, the \$10,000 will be secured and they will have less cause, in the future than in the past, to blush when their high titled names are called.

Something *must* be done; something *will* be done, and done

quickly. Money will be raised for current expenses or else Howard College will close. Which shall be done?

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

This unrivalled institution, of which all Baptists are justly proud, still offers its superior advantages to brethren preparing for the Gospel ministry. All who can possibly do so should go there and be thoroughly taught.

Respectfully submitted,

Z. D. Roby,
Chm'n Com.

After discussion by J. J. Taylor, B. H. Crumpton, A. J. Dickinson, J. A. French, J. D. Trammell, J. B. Lovelace, A. W. McGaha, P. T. Hale, J. R. Sampey, H. R. Schramm, W. A. Whittle, J. M. Thomas, J. W. Stewart and Z. D. Roby, the report was adopted, with amendment offered by P. T. Hale, as follows:

The convention recommends to the board of trustees of Howard College that they assign to Miss Lida B. Robertson the work of raising funds to erect a hospital in connection with this institution, and that they consider the matter of putting a financial secretary in the field to secure a permanent fund for the endowment of Howard College.

34. The vote by which the resolution offered by W. C. Ward (item 25) was adopted, was reconsidered, and the resolution was laid on the table, it being in conflict with above amendment.

35. The report of the committee to whom was referred the question of the bonded debt of the Judson Institute was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON JUDSON BONDED DEBT.

We, the committee on the bonded debt of the Judson Institute, would report:

That the board of trustees be authorized to raise the sum of \$9,000, or as much as possible, by an appeal to the denomination,

and that they be granted authority to issue new bonds at as low a rate of interest as possible to retire the remainder of the maturing bonds.

T. L. JONES,
J. B. LOVELACE,
J. J. TAYLOR,
A. J. DICKINSON,
G. A. JOINER,
Committee.

36. The report of the committee on Nominations was read by G. R. Farnham, and amended, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Trustees of Howard College—J. M. Arnold, W. C. Cleveland, J. R. Tyson, J. P. Hubbard, C. C. Jones, J. P. Shaffer, J. C. Bush, P. T. Hale, to fill places of those whose term expires with this session; and, to fill vacancies,

M. B. Neece in place of J. L. Thompson (left State.)

S. W. Welch in place of W. Wilkes (resigned.)

Trustees of Judson Institute—J. B. Lovelace to succeed himself, and to be President; and C. A. Wilkerson in place of W. W. Wilkerson, deceased.

Delegates to American Baptist Education Society—J. G. Harris, C. B. Gibson, J. Shackelford, J. T. Murfee, T. J. Dill, A. B. Goodhue, J. A. Liner, G. R. Hall, J. B. Graham, W. C. Ward, F. M. Blount.

Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention—W. C. Cleveland, Jonathan Haralson, Wm. A. Davis, W. M. Blackwelder, W. S. Brown, J. C. Bush, W. B. Crumpton, A. J. Dickinson, J. G. Dickinson, Geo. B. Eager, W. J. Elliott, T. V. B. Moor, J. W. Stewart, B. H. Crumpton, G. W. Dalbey, J. H. Foster, Jr., S. P. Fowlkes, J. A. French, B. F. Giles, L. O. Dawson, J. A. Glenn, B. D. Gray, P. T. Hale, W. M. Harris, R. H. Harris, W. D. Hubbard, L. H. Huff, W. R. Ivey, T. L. Jones, J. L. Lawless, J. G. Lowery, J. L. Joiner, H. S. D. Mallory, G. R. Farnham, R. F. Manly, I. W. Martin, F. G. Mullen, W. A. Whittle, M. M. Wood, A. W. McGaha, J. T. Murfee, M. B. Neece, G. M. Parker, W. A. Parker, S. O. Y. Ray, Z. D. Roby, H. R. Schramm, H. H. Shell, B. J. Skinner, G. T. Lee, J. M. Thomas, I. A. White, H. W. Williams, J. H. Curry, C. W. Buck, J. G. Bow, S. C. Clopton, J. J. Taylor, Oscar Haywood, W. G. Curry, T. G. Bush, W. H. Smith, N. C. Underwood, J. G. Harris, J. P. Shaffer,

R. C. Jones, W. C. Ward, J. B. Graham, J. E. White, S. W. Averett, C. B. Gibson, J. B. Lovelace, W. Y. Adams, W. C. Jordan, J. T. Davis, W. M. Burr, R. E. Pettus.

The Executive Committee of the State Mission Board is authorized to fill vacancies in the delegations to the two conventions.

Fraternally submitted,

G. R. FARNHAM,
T. H. STOUT,
H. W. WILLIAMS,
I. A. WHITE,
J. H. CURRY,
Committee.

(The remainder of the report appears in proper places on second page of cover of these proceedings.)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

37. The president read the following telegram:

“BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Nov. 9.

“Alabama Baptist State Convention:

Alabama Christian Convention in session sends greeting: ‘And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom: teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.’

J. J. IRVINE.”

The Secretary was directed to reply, which he did in these words:

“Reciprocate greeting: ‘Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.’”

38. The report on Sunday Schools was read by A. E. Burns and, after discussion by T. P. Bell, Harvey Hatcher, and J. J. Taylor, the report was adopted, as follows :

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

A search for facts and figures on which to base a report on this subject has convinced your committee that all clerks of churches and associations do not appreciate the importance of Sunday School work, else fuller reports would be given by church clerks to associations and by associational clerks in their minutes, and from those information could be gathered that would be both interesting and instructive.

In a letter to our chairman, Dr. T. P. Bell, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, writes: "I am sorry that the information attainable concerning Sunday Schools is very meagre. No one can tell how many there are in our Southern States, nor consequently at all estimate the number of persons engaged in the work either as teachers or scholars."

Statistics, so far as they could be obtained from all sources, are as follows: In 1892, 17,416 churches in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, with a membership of 1,282,221, reported 8,862 Sunday Schools with 52,513 officers and teachers and 440,262 scholars. Alabama, with 1,539 churches and 101,065 church members, reports 606 Sunday Schools with 2,975 officers and teachers and 27,752 scholars,

The above figures show that the ratio of churches having Sunday Schools to the total number of churches in the Southern Baptist Convention is a little over fifty per cent., and the ratio of officers, teachers and scholars to the whole number of church membership is a little less than thirty-nine per cent., while in Alabama the ratio of Sunday Schools to churches is only a little over thirty-nine per cent., and that of officers, teachers and pupils to church membership is only a little over thirty per cent. The ratio of officers and teachers to church membership in Alabama is less than three per cent., revealing the startling fact that scarcely three per cent. of our church membership are engaged in Sunday School work.

Between 275 and 300 schools are procuring their literature and other supplies from the book and colportage department of the State Board of Missions. The sales will approximate this year two thousand four hundred dollars. Of those, about sixty per

cent. use the Convention Series. The secretary says: "We are not receiving our full quota of schools yet. It takes time to educate the people and get them in line, but I am very hopeful, and every quarter encourages us by new schools being added to the list."

It is encouraging to note that more attention is being paid to Sunday School work in connection with colportage than formerly. Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee have organized Sunday School work. Some are just starting, while others are well established in the work. It is also encouraging to note the increased interest in missions among the Sunday Schools. This is specially noticeable among the schools using the Convention Series of helps, it being a prominent feature of the series to cultivate and develop the mission spirit, recognizing the great truth that mission work is a part—the human part—of the plan of salvation. Your committee are of the opinion that the time has come when the State Board of Missions, in connection with the three boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, should put a Sunday School evangelist in the field, whose work it shall be to look after the Sunday School interests of the State and missions connected therewith. We recommend:

1st. That each association organize Sunday School conventions or superintendents and teachers' institutes, the object of which shall be to awaken deeper interest in the subjects of Sunday Schools and missions, and to improve the quality of Sunday School work.

2d. That missionaries, colporters and missionary pastors be specially charged to look after those meetings, aiding in their organization in their respective fields, contributing to their success, and in every way practicable promoting Sunday School work.

3d. That clerks of associations be urged to publish in their minutes full, clear and concise reports of Sunday School work, showing number of schools, officers and teachers, pupils, proportion of church members participating in the work, number of baptisms from among the ranks of the scholars, and the amounts contributed to missions, etc. And where there is no report from a given church, to make diligent inquiry of the delegates present and publish approximate report, or if there be no school, to so state in the report.

4th. That all our Sunday Schools be kindly but urgently solicited to send their orders for literature, song books, Bibles, etc., to our own Board, J. B. Collier, Secretary, Opelika, Ala. And since the Convention Series is, without making invidious compari-

sons, equal to the very best and all our own, that it be given a fair trial and permitted to stand or fall on its own merits. Wherever this is done, no fears need be entertained as to the result.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BRUNS,

E. F. BABER.

39. The convention suspended its business while the Alabama Baptist Historical Society received thirty-one additional members, after remarks by A. W. McGaha, its president, and M. M. Wood's report as its secretary.

40. The report on Woman's Work was read by P. T. Hale and after an address by B. D. Gray was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Committee on Woman's Work, beg leave to submit the following report:

The religious activity of Christian women is no new work. In Galilee long ago "The women ministered" to the Lord. Neither is it a new form of denominational activity among Alabama Baptists. In 1823, at the first meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, of the twenty delegates composing that body, one-half were sent by ladies' societies, of which there were then eight in number; one at Greensboro, where we now have no church. Money was liberally subscribed by these ladies, boxes of clothing were given, and one lady contributed her gold watch and chain. So that this work is no new fangled notion.

To organize the Baptist women of our State into a band of sisters, emulating each other in loving labors for the Master's cause, under the control of their own churches; to aid in leading the children to Christ, and in training them for His service; to disseminate missionary information, and impart the knowledge of our principles and of our work—such are the objects of these societies, and some of the labors already accomplished by them.

The Christmas offering for Japan amounted to \$533.20. Twenty boxes were sent to frontier missionaries, valued at \$926.00. Four Cuban girls are being supported in Havana.

Pura Cova was supported at the Judson, until on account of her health, it was thought best for her to return to Havana, where she is now being supported. Total amount spent for her \$303.93.

At the suggestion of the Foreign Mission Board, Miss Anna B. Hart-

well has been adopted by the ladies of the Birmingham Association as their missionary, and her salary of \$600.00 has been sent to the Board, and they hope to send this amount annually. Miss Willie Kelly, of Marion, is under appointment of the Board. The Central Committee hopes to sustain her. The Ladies Missionary Society of the Evergreen church has pledged \$50.00 for her support.

The Anniston Sunbeams are educating a boy in Mexico.

The Sunday school of the South-side church of Birmingham is, and has been, for four years supporting a girl in the Madero Institute.

Dr. Diaz has established a hospital for women and children in Havana. His appeal for help for this noble work, is meeting with a ready response from the societies. The Sunday School of the Parker Memorial church, at Anniston, has furnished one room.

Boxes are being sent to frontier missionaries. Supplies of literature, programmes, etc., have been furnished for the observance of Missionary Day.

Thirty associations have contributed to the work the past year; the Birmingham Association leading with a contribution of over \$1,900.00. Too much can not be said in appreciation of the zeal, intelligent planning, arduous labors, and unremunerated toil of this Central Committee

The Christmas offering is again requested for Japan.

The Maria Short Orphans and Widows' Home strongly appeals to every woman's heart. Many societies are adopting each an orphan, others are assuming the care of one room.

Mrs. I. C. Brown, the efficient secretary reports as follows:

Contributed by societies and reported through the Central Committee,

Home Missions	\$ 1,538 63
Foreign Missions.....	1,875 17
State Missions	450 17
Church Aid....	2,765 30

Total..... \$ 6,629 27

Letters written.....	1478
Postal Cards written	63
Letters received ...	683
Postal Cards received	59
254 Packages Literature sent out, containing leaflets, mission cards, &c. (pages about).....	11800
Mission and Aid Societies in 1892.....	184
New Mission and Aid Societies.....	22
Mission and Aid Societies in 1893.....	206
Young People's Societies in 1892.....	61
New Young People's Societies.....	9

41. On motion of J. A. French, it was voted to allow the women such space in these minutes as they may wish for a report of the proceedings of the Women's Meeting held at same time as this convention.

42. The report of Board of Trustees of the Orphanage was read by Geo. B. Eager, President of the Board, and, pending action, the convention adjourned.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

43. The report on the Orphanage was discussed by G. W. Dalbey, J. W. Stewart, Geo. B. Eager, W. B. Crumpton, and H. R. Schramm, and a collection for a building fund was taken, amounting to \$79.45 in cash and about \$2,000 in pledges; and the report was then adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The board of trustees appointed by this convention, acting under instructions given at Anniston, decided upon Evergreen as a temporary site for the Orphanage, and accordingly opened the home there on the 8th of last March. After correspondence with various superintendents, managers and matrons of orphanages, and careful comparison and study of the constitutions, by-laws and methods of operation of some of the oldest and best institutions of the kind in the land, we adopted a constitution and by-laws, elected Rev. J. W. Stewart financial secretary and agent, Mrs. Clara W. Ansley, matron, and Mrs. Jennie Cannon, house-keeper, and began keeping house with Mrs. Cannon's three children as the only inmates. Applications for admission soon began to come in, and first and last we have received into the Home twenty-one children, of whom eleven are boys and ten girls. We have exercised befitting caution and care at every step, opening with no blast of trumpets and making no noisy appeals for patronage or gifts. Our people,

however, in almost every part of the State, have rallied to the support of the Home, and thus given us an earnest of what they will do for it in the future.

We have received in money during the year \$1,152.43. Friends from various parts of the State have sent numerous and substantial gifts of furniture, bedding, cloth, clothing, groceries, fruits, aggregating about \$350 00. The cost of support *per capita* has been about \$8.00 per month.

The good people of Evergreen have shown great interest and kindness toward the Home. Among other gifts from them is a milch cow valued at \$15.00. The merchants sell us food at about cost.

The agent reports as paid out for all purposes \$842.58, and a balance in the treasury of \$309.85.

Last month the modest house occupied by the orphans up to that time became too small for the growing number of inmates, and another cottage was secured, and the widow of the beloved J. L. Jones, of precious memory, was put in charge. She also serves as the Dorcas of the little band.

Six of the children attend school at the Evergreen Academy, and are making gratifying progress. The rest are taught, and all are watched over with true motherliness in the Home, by the faithful matron, Mrs. Ansley.

The present quarters, which have served very well for Spring and Summer, are not suitable for the Winter. Better housing of the little company which God has committed to our care is, therefore, imperatively and immediately demanded.

This question must be considered in connection with the more prominent question which comes before us, of locating the Home permanently.

We, therefore, requested that a committee of three from this body be appointed to sit with the officers and trustees of the Home here present to consider any and all offers made, or to be made, looking to the permanent location of the Home. This is the question now before the Board.

It may be well to add that such steps as we have thus far taken financially in the establishment of the Home, have been necessarily taken independently of the generous action of Mrs. Maria L. B. Woodson in deeding to the convention her entire estate for the establishment of a Widows and Orphans' Home. According to the terms of the deed, neither this property, nor any part of the income thereof, is to accrue to the convention or to the Home until the death of the donor. Our action, therefore, is not to be construed as abating one jot or tittle of

the appreciation and gratitude already expressed to God and our sister for her noble impulses, purposes and offering.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. B. EAGER,
President.

44. On motion of John W. Stewart, the trustees of the Orphanage were authorized, in their discretion, to elect an additional trustee for that institution.

45. The report on Temperance was read by Geo. B. Eager and discussed by W. J. Elliott, J. M. Kailin and I. A. White, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The last convention made it the duty of this committee to endeavor to secure legislation in the interest of temperance and the Lord's day.

Through a combination of unfortunate and practically unavoidable circumstances, the committee was prevented from ever having a meeting, and nothing was done.

It is a well known fact, however, that legislation in behalf of both the interests entrusted to this committee was sought by other parties at the hands of the last Legislature, with no success.

"The evils of intemperance" is an old theme that does not need to be treated in this report. The burning and living question has reference to remedies. What is to be done? Absolute prohibition has, we believe, proven a failure in many places; not through fault, generally, of the law, but because of the lack of moral sentiment among the people, and often because, perhaps, of unfaithfulness on the part of those charged with the duty of the apprehension of law-breakers.

It is to be hoped that the moral sentiment of the people, without which the law will be a dead letter, is growing. It is often said now that drunkenness is a decreasing evil, and certainly fewer intoxicated men are seen reeling on our streets than formerly; but as long as annual expenditures in the United States show an outlay of \$1,200,000,000 for liquor, \$85,000,000 for public education, and \$11,000,000 for home and foreign missions, it cannot be thought that the evil has grown appreciably less; nor with such figures crying to heaven, and to us, can it be said that the American conscience has been very deeply stirred on the liquor question.

The liquor power, with its millions, and with so deep an entrenchment in the affections and habits of our people, can only be successfully

attacked when there shall be brought to bear against it the co-operation of every moral force. There seems to be in the East the gray dawn of such a day. Let this convention and the Baptist hosts of Alabama place themselves, squarely, fearlessly, aggressively against the evils of liquor-selling, liquor-buying, and liquor-drinking; and let us give the right hand of our most earnest co-operation to every legitimate agency that works for the overthrow of this great curse, for the drying up of "this Amazon among the rivers of wretchedness."

But let us not give ourselves away to the mischievous error of supposing that the greatest and most efficient agency in this great reform is to be found in the arm of the secular power. Moral public sentiment must support temperance legislation, and this sentiment must be created by the pulpits and the churches.

It is not legislation, but the gospel, that is the most potent factor among all the influences that work for the liberation of man from the bondage of sin, and the reorganization of society upon lines of righteousness and wisdom.

W. M. HARRIS, Chairman.

46. The report of committee on Finance was read by P. B. Brown and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Finance Committee beg leave to report that we have examined the reports of the Treasurer and find the same correct.

P. B. BROWN,
J. B. BELL,
D. B. PEARSON,
Committee.

47. The report of committee on Time and Place was read by W. J. Elliott and after discussion by W. B. Crumpton, G. R. Farnham, J. M. Thomas, I. A. White, A. J. Dickinson, J. W. Willis and W. M. Burr, an amendment was defeated proposing November as the month of meeting by a vote of 33 to 22; and after further discussion by R. H. Harris, Oscar Haywood, R. E. Pettus and T. T. Daughdrill, and the defeat of an amendment naming Huntsville as the place of meeting, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

The Committee on Time and Place recommend that the next session be held with the Siloam Church at Marion, beginning on Wednesday before the second Sunday in July, 1894; that P. T. Hale preach the introductory sermon, with W. H. Smith as alternate; and that J. L. Lawless, S. W. Averett, W. B. Crumpton, A. J. Dickinson and I. A. White be the committee to prepare program.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. ELLIOTT,

J. W. WILLIS,

R. F. MANLY,

Committee.

48. By a rising vote, on motion of J. J. Taylor, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the good people of Greenville for their abundant and cordial hospitality which has been dispensed from all their homes; to the various churches for the use of their houses of worship; and to the railroads for their liberal reduction in the fare of delegates and visitors; also, to the *Montgomery Advertiser* and the *Birmingham Age-Herald* for their full daily accounts of the proceedings of the Convention, and to the officers for efficient services.

49. The President then declared the convention adjourned to meet at Marion, on Wednesday, July 4, 1894.

WM. A. DAVIS,
Secretary.

W. C. CLEVELAND,
President.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The first annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of Alabama, auxiliary to the State Convention, met Wednesday, October 8, 1893, in the Presbyterian church of Greenville, Alabama.

An attractive program had been prepared by the Central Committee, and was heartily participated in by a number of the workers.

Reports from the associations were rendered by the vice-presidents, which, with the discussion of mission topics, filled the hearts of the hearers with increased love for the Master.

Mrs. J. C. B. - 1111

Secretary, W. M. U.

DELEGATES.

FROM CHURCHES.

- Anniston, Parker Memorial*—P. B. Brown, Wm. A. Davis.
Auburn—J. W. Willis.
Arondale—Gilbert Carter.
Bessemer—J. M. Thomas.
Birmingham, First—B. D. Gray, R. F. Manly, D. B. Pearson.
Birmingham, Second—W. A. Whittle.
Birmingham, Southside—P. T. Hale.
Brewton—M. F. Brooks, B. H. Crumpton.
Brundidge—L. M. Bradley.
Coosada—R. H. Hudson.
Dunham—B. B. McKenzie.
East Lake, Ruhama—J. H. Foster, Jr., A. W. McGaha.
Eufaula—J. G. Bow.
Evergreen—G. R. Farnham, James M. Sims.
Florence—J. C. Hudson.
Forest Home—J. B. Powell.
Fort Deposit—Sidney J. Catts.
Gadsden—H. W. Williams.
Greenville—W. M. Flowers, John Gamble, W. R. Martin, D. N. Nicholson, G. J. Peagler.
Harpersville—W. S. Henderson.
Huntsville, Dallas Avenue—R. E. Pettus.
Huntsville, First—Oscar Haywood.
Livingston—W. G. Curry.
Loachapoka—G. S. Anderson.
Marion, Siloam—S. W. Averett, T. T. Daughdrill, J. L. Lawless, J. B. Lovelace, J. T. Murfee.
Mobile, Palmetto Street—H. H. Shell.
Mobile, St. Francis St.—J. J. Taylor, D. P. Bestor, J. C. Bush, J. W. Posey.
Montgomery, First—Geo. B. Eager, J. Falkner, J. G. Harris, T. L. Jones, Wm. Gamble.
Northport—J. H. Curry.
Opelika—J. B. Collier, W. E. Hudmon, Z. D. Roby.
Orrville—I. A. White.
Phoenix City—H. R. Schramm.
Pratt City—M. M. Wood.
Prattville—J. B. Bell, E. E. Gresham.
Providence—L. Johnson.

Roanoke—Arnold S. Smith.
Selma—J. E. Barnes, A. J. Dickinson.
Talladega—J. A. French, G. A. Joiner.
Troy—Robert H. Harris, John E. Moore.
Tuscaloosa—L. O. Dawson, C. B. Gibson, H. F. Hill, R. C. Jones,
 Thomas W. Palmer, J. H. Foster.
Tuscumbia—A. E. Burns.
Union Springs—G. W. Dalbey, J. H. Rainer.
Uniontown—J. G. Dickinson.
Williams—J. D. Trammell.

FROM ASSOCIATIONS.

Alabama—C. C. Lloyd.
Antioch—J. M. Hall.
Bethel—W. B. Shamburger, J. M. Roden.
Bethlehem—B. J. Skinner.
Birmingham—Wm. C. Ward, Geo. T. Lee, T. V. B. Moor, H. R.
 Dill.
Cahaba—S. O. Y. Ray, W. B. Crumpton.
Cahaba Valley—J. A. Glenn.
Calhoun County—W. H. Smith.
Columbia—W. C. Cleveaud, W. M. Burr, W. P. Stewart.
Concuh—Harry Henderson, A. J. Thames, Jno. W. Stewart, J. E.
 Bell, C. S. Rabb, A. J. Browning.
Coosa River—Thomas Henderson, G. A. Joiner, W. S. Henderson.
Enfaula—T. H. Stout, N. C. Underwood, Wm. C. Jordan.
Florence—W. S. Brown.
Geneva—D. C. Culbreth, John F. Register.
Harris—H. R. Schramm, W. A. Bellamy.
Liberty, East—W. C. Bledsoe.
Liberty, North—R. E. Pettus.
Mobile—J. M. Kailin.
Montgomery—W. M. Harris, W. J. Elliott.
Muscle Shoals—A. E. Burns.
Newton—H. H. Blackman.
Pine Barren—S. J. Ansley.
Selma—Lewis Johnson.
Shelby—J. G. Lowery.
Troy—Robert H. Harris.
Tuskegee—G. A. Hornady, J. W. Willis, W. E. Lloyd, C. W. Buck.
Zion—T. Albritton, M. Riley, J. M. Robinson, W. K. Red.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as "The Alabama Baptist State Convention," and shall consist: (1) of three delegates from each Baptist District Association in Alabama, co-operating with this convention, if said Association shall have five hundred members, or under and one additional delegate for every five hundred members, or fraction thereof, above that number, whose annual election or appointment shall be duly certified by the printed minutes, or certificate of an officer of the Association represented by them; (2) of one delegate from each church, co-operating with this Convention, if said church shall have fifty members, or under, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof, above that number; (3) of persons who contribute funds, or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this Convention, on the basis of one representative for each one hundred dollars actually paid into the treasury of the Boards of this Convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembling. But in all cases must delegates to this body be brethren of Baptist Churches in good standing.

ARTICLE II. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer, together with a Board of Directors, as hereinafter named, who shall be elected at each annual meeting, and who shall hold their offices until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE III. The President, or in case of his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, in their order, shall preside at all the deliberations of the Convention, and discharge the duties usually imposed upon an executive officer of deliberate bodies.

ARTICLE IV. The Secretary shall make a fair record of the proceedings of the Convention, and soon after the rising of each regular meeting of the body, shall attend to the printing and distribution of the minutes of the same, of which he shall preserve a file, which file shall constitute the authentic record of the Convention. He shall also conduct the correspondence of the body. For his services he may receive a reasonable compensation. The printing of the minutes of the Convention, and the compensation of the Secretary, shall be paid for by a *pro rata* taken from the funds sent for the various objects fostered by this body each year.

ARTICLE V. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Convention, and hold the same, subject to the order of this body, or of the Board of Directors, during the recess of the Convention; and he

shall make an annual report of all receipts and expenditures, which shall be audited and published with the minutes.

ARTICLE VI. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer, with nine other brethren, shall compose the Board of Directors, five of whom shall form a quorum authorized to transact any business of the Convention during the recess thereof, and shall report their proceedings at each annual meeting of the Convention.

ARTICLE VII. The President shall have power to call a meeting of the Board of Directors whenever the exigency of the circumstances may, in his judgment, require the same.

ARTICLE VIII. The design of this Convention shall be to elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Alabama in one sacred effort to encourage and promote (1) The propagation of the gospel in this State, and, through the Southern Baptist Convention, in the destitute parts of the world; (2) The education of those it believes called of God to the ministry; (3) The education of the youth of our country; (4) The publication and distribution of the Word of God and other literature; (5) The organization and usefulness of Sunday Schools and other religious and educational movements it may deem promotive of the interests of the kingdom of Christ and sanctioned by the Word of God.

ARTICLE IX. The Convention shall have the supreme control of any Literary or Theological Institution, which has been, or may hereafter be, originated in this body; and it shall choose for such institution a Board of twenty-four Trustees, to serve for six years, of whom one-third shall go out of office biennially; and the said Trustees shall, on all occasions, be subject to the control of the Convention, and make an annual report to this body on the state of such institution.

ARTICLE X. The Convention may receive funds from all such as may be disposed to aid in any of the benevolent purposes mentioned in the 8th Article, and it shall faithfully apply funds contributed to the objects which may be designated by the donors, a portion, however, being taken *pro rata* from the same for contingent expenses, in the event of the insufficiency of the general fund for that purpose.

ARTICLE XI. The Convention may employ agents, whose duty it shall be to make collections, obtain subscriptions from Societies, solicit churches and associations to unite with the Convention, and to further all objects of this body.

ARTICLE XII. The Convention shall have power to send delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, and to any other assembly with which, in its wisdom, it may wish to communicate.

ARTICLE XIII. The Convention shall hold its meetings at such time and place as it shall, from time to time, appoint.

ARTICLE XIV. The funds of the Convention shall consist of voluntary contributions or donations and not otherwise.


ARTICLE XV. The Convention disclaims all right of exercising authority over any church or association, hereby acknowledging that every church is independent, and within its own sphere, is accountable to no body of men on earth.

ARTICLE XVI. This Constitution may be altered or amended by the concurrence of three-fourths of the members present at any annual meeting, but not so as to infringe the 15th Article.

ARTICLE XVII. All amendments or alterations of this Constitution shall be proposed at one session and acted upon at the next.

~~It~~ Instead of prescribing distinct RULES OF ORDER, *Mell's Parliamentary Practice*, so far as applicable, has been adopted by the Convention.

LIST OF ORDAINED BAPTIST MINISTERS IN ALABAMA.

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 Bolen, James, Beaver Valley
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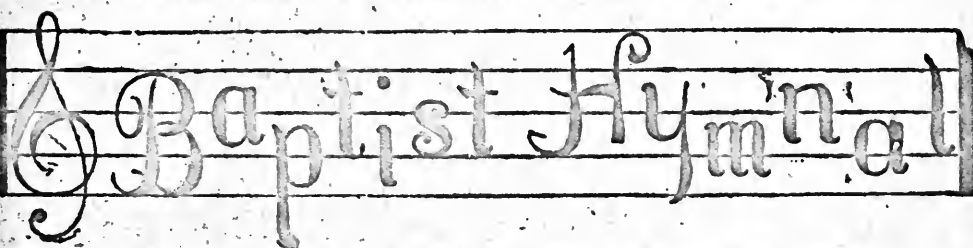
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